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JOHN B. WICKERSHAM.

NEW-YORK, Feb. 2 1866.

From Rev. Levi J. Beck, Pastor of the Baptist Church, Pemberton, N. J., formerly of the Northern Liberties Church, Philadelphia, at present Pastor of the Baptist Church, Chester, Penn.:

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Yours, truly,

LEVI G. BECK.

From Rev. W. D. Seigfried, Pastor of the Eighth Baptist Church, Philadelphia.

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DEATH OF LIEUT.-GEN. SCOTT

Sketch of His Long and Glorious Military Career.

His Political Aspirations, Successes and Defeats.

His Course During the Rebellion — The Organization and Handling of the First Army.

Letters of Gen. Scott to President Buchanan and Secretary Seward.

Retirement of Gen. Scott — Presidential, National and Civic Honors Tendered Him on the Occasion.

His Last Illness and Death — Personal Reminiscences, &c.

A heavy blow long suspended has fallen at last. WINFIELD SCOTT, renowned and peerless, has gone to his rest. After years of lingering, away from his home, but surrounded by the exponents of the art he loved so well, and attended by all that respectful affection could bring to his dying couch, he closed a long and eventful career yesterday morning, at 11 o'clock, at West Point, on the Hudson. For more than half a century he was among the foremost men of the world, renowned as well for his eloquence and address as for his scientific attainment and personal worth. The momentous events of the past five years came upon the nation when the old chieftain's best days were gone, his mental energy weakened, and his physical strength impaired, so that in the busy rush of men and things, to a great extent he was forgotten. At times, however, as, for instance, when the late President LINCOLN sought his advice, and again when Gen. GRANT paid him a visit of courteous inquiry, the old man's prestige was revived in the minds of his countrymen, and the heart of the nation beat proudly in remembrance of his early service.

An absolute biography of such a man would require a narrative of our nation's history. The story, properly told, must trench at every point upon the existences of this country, frequently upon the life-growth of the world, for which the narrow limit of a newspaper article can scarce suffice.

WINFIELD SCOTT was born the 13th of June, 1786, near Petersburgh, Va. His descent may be traced from a Scottish gentleman of the Lowlands, who, with his elder brother, was engaged in the Rebellion of 1745. The elder was slain in the memorable field of Culloden. The younger, involved in the consequences of that severe disaster, emigrated to America; and bringing with him little but a liberal education, commenced the practice of the law in Virginia. He was successful in the path thus chosen, and married, but died young. His son WILLIAM married ANN MASON, a lady of one of the most respectable families in Virginia. He pursued the occupation of a farmer, and died in 1791, leaving two sons and several daughters. The eldest of the sons was JAMES, who commanded a regiment in Norfolk in 1812, and the youngest, WINFIELD, the subject of this sketch, then five years of age. In 1803 the widow also died, leaving SCOTT, at seventeen years of age, in the very outset of active life.

At this time his character is described by one who knew him as distinctly formed. He was full of hope, and animated by a just sense of honor and a generous ambition of honest fame. His heart was open and kind to all the world, warm with affection toward his friends, and with no idea that he had, or deserved to have, an enemy. He was intended for one of the learned professions, and pursued the usual preparatory studies, spent a year in the High School at Richmond, and then went of his own accord to the College of William and Mary, where he remained one or two years, and attended a course of law lectures. He finished his legal studies in the office of DAVID ROBERTSON, and in 1806 was admitted to the Bar. In the Autumn of 1807 he emigrated to South Carolina, intending to practice law in Charleston. The failure to procure from the General law requiring practitioners to have a year's residence in the State, defeated the object of his emigration to South Carolina, and, not improbably, turned the current of his life. Disengaged from business, the political events of his country, then rapidly moving towards the crisis of 1812, soon transferred him to another, and a more active and brilliant scene. In the spirit of patriotism, resistance and indignant resentment for wrongs endured, which was then excited against Great Britain, SCOTT largely shared. Hopeful, ambitious, and emulous of fame, he combined in his character the elements of a patriot soldier. In the Summer of 1807 he had specially volunteered as a member of the Petersburgh troop of horse, this had been called out under the proclamation of the President, forbidding the harbors of the United States to British vessels of war, in consequence of the attack on the frigate Chesapeake. This was the humble beginning of a career which has placed the name of SCOTT upon the scroll of fame, high among the highest of those whose military achievements have won the admiration of the world.

On his return to the North, after his visit to Charleston, the country was in the midst of the political excitements which attended renewed difficulties with England, and the enactment of the Embargo Law. In the Winter of 1807-8, a bill was introduced in Congress for the enlargement of the army, and SCOTT applied for a commission in the new regiments about to be raised. The law passed in April, and in May, 1808, he became a Captain in light artillery.

In the political controversies of this exciting period, SCOTT was among the friends of positive resistance to these acts of oppression, and, from the attack on the *Chesapeake* to the declaration of war, he was an approver, a supporter and a writer in favor of war measures. When the difficulties with England began to assume a serious aspect, under the apprehension of a sudden invasion of Louisiana, a military force was kept there under the command of Gen. WILKINSON, and in 1809 Capt. SCOTT was ordered to join the army at New-Orleans. Young, frank, ardent and bold, it was not surprising that he should express his opinions with freedom. This fact soon occasioned a difficulty between SCOTT and WILKINSON, which resulted in SCOTT's suspension for one year. The sentence was a severe one, SCOTT's error being a violation of discipline, under a mistaken understanding of the rules of the service.

The effect of the sentence upon the popular mind, is evidenced in the fact that soon after his conviction, the young Captain was complimented with a public dinner given by many officers and citizens of the neighborhood. During the year of his suspension SCOTT returned to Virginia and diligently applied himself to the study of works on the military art, with a view of making himself thoroughly conversant with the duties of the profession he had chosen. He resumed his place in the army before the war of 1812 broke out.

On the 18th June, 1812, war was formally declared against Great Britain, and during the following month SCOTT received the commission of Lieutenant-Colonel in the Second Artillery, and arrived on the Niagara frontier, taking post at Black Rock, to protect the Navy-yard there established. The expedition planned against Queenstown Heights was carried into execution on the 13th October, 1812. Early on that morning, SCOTT arrived at Lewistown with his regiment, by a forced march from Black Rock, having offered his services in the proposed movement. They were declined because the arrangements were already completed; but permission was given him to post his regiment at Lewistown, and act as circumstances might permit. The American attacking forces crossed the river, but their gallant efforts, as is well known, were quite unequal to the superior numbers and discipline of the enemy. It was just after every commissioned officer of the American forces had fallen dead or wounded, that Lieut. Col. SCOTT, arrived on the heights, and took command of the troops, amounting, with reinforcements, to 300 regulars and 250 volunteers, whom he drew up in a commanding situation to receive the enemy and cover the ferry, in expectation of being reinforced by the whole of the militia at Lewistown. The interval of rest was short. The Indians, who had been concentrated in the neighborhood, sprang into activity, and five hundred of them soon joined the British light companies previously engaged. A fierce battle ensued. The enemy was driven back in total route, SCOTT leading on and animating his troops with a gallantry which cannot be too highly extolled. But the first gun of this morning having roused the British garrison at Fort George, eight miles below, the troops were put in motion, and soon after SCOTT arrived on the field, the British reinforcements also entered it. Just when American reinforcements were most needed, information was brought to SCOTT that the panic-stricken militia at Lewistown refused to cross the river. That sealed the fate of the day. The British force now numbered not less than 1,300, while the Americans were reduced to less than 300. SCOTT took his position on the ground his force then occupied, resolved to think of surrender only when battle was impossible. Mounting a log in front of his little band, he thus addressed them:

"The enemy's balls begin to thin our ranks. His numbers are overwhelming. In a moment the shock must come, and there is no aid in sight. In the beginning of a national war, BUTLER'S surrender is to be redeemed. Let us then die, arms in hand. Our country demands the sacrifice. The example will not be lost. The blood of the slain will make heroes of the living. Those who follow will avenge our fall and their country's wrongs. Who dare to stand?"

"All!" was the emphatic response. But the bravest resistance against such fearful odds was vain. The Americans gave way, and retreated to the water's edge, which they reached by letting themselves down (holding on to limbs and bushes) the precipice. It was soon resolved to surrender, when SCOTT, having sent flags of truce by several of his men, who were shot down or captured by the Indians, resolved himself to make another attempt. In this he was successful, although surprised by two Indians, whose firearms were fortunately discharged, and who were prevented from using their knives and hatchets upon the "tall American" by the arrival of a British officer and some men. Terms of capitulation were made, and SCOTT surrendered his whole force with the honors of war.

These incidents are given somewhat in detail because it was at Queenstown that the military genius of SCOTT was first made clearly manifest; and it must be admitted that though defeated then, no incidents of his life on the field have more distinctly indicated his peculiar qualifications for a military leader—his possession of the traits of coolness, prudence, decision, intrepidity, patriotism and magnanimity—than did those of his first adventure as a commander!

The prisoners of Queenstown were sent to Quebec, thence to Boston, and SCOTT was soon after exchanged. When they were about to sail from Quebec, a party of British officers began to examine and set aside such of the prisoners as, by confession or accent of voice, were judged to be Irishmen—the object being to send them to England as British subjects, to be tried and executed for high treason. Twenty-three had thus been set aside when SCOTT reached the deck of the transport; and there were about forty more in the detachment of the same birth, all in deep affliction at the certain prospect of an ignominious death. SCOTT at once ordered them to answer no more questions; and despite threats and the orders of the officers to go below, explained to the men the obligations of the United States to them, and assured them of protection. The men obeyed him implicitly, and not another of the party was separated from his companions. He also pledged himself in the most solemn manner that resistance, and, if necessary, a refusal to give quarter in battle, should follow the execution of any one of the party. The Irishmen, however, were sent to England. Two months after, at the capture of Fort George, SCOTT made a great number of prisoners, twenty-three of whom he immediately selected and ordered into confinement, to await the fate of these twenty-three Irishmen. Nearly three years afterward SCOTT, then a Major-General, accidentally met these unfortunate men on a wharf at New-York, where they had just landed, after over two years' imprisonment in a British prison. The meeting was a cordial one, as may be supposed, between them and their deliverer. In this act of the young Colonel we have the beginning of a system of hostages extending throughout the war, and the establishment of a principle of national law then unknown, but which now is clearly seen to form one of the foundation stones of American Independence—the right to adopt the subjects of foreign Powers, absolve them from their native allegiance, and protect them as thoroughly as though born on the soil.

After this came SCOTT's brilliant achievement at the storming of Fort George, on the 27th of May, 1813, when he pulled down the British flag with his own hands, and completely routed the enemy, taking large numbers of them prisoners. Among other engagements in which he was a prominent and successful participator during the campaign of that year, we can only mention the descent upon York (now Toronto) in July, 1813; and the capture of Fort Matilda, on the St. Lawrence. On the 9th of March, 1814, he was made a Brigadier-General. On the 4th of July he led his brigade to the capture of Fort Erie, and on the following day moved toward Chippewa, keeping up a running fight with the British troops during a march of sixteen miles, and driving the enemy across Chippewa River. On the 5th he fought the bloody battle of Chippewa, where, by superior skill, decision, and celerity and impetuosity of movement, the enemy, though outnumbering our troops, were made to sustain a most disastrous defeat. The battle was fought in an open plain, and the prowess of American arms was tested against some of the best troops of Europe. Its result sprung from the enemy the written acknowledgment of "the important fact that we (the British) have now got an enemy who fights as bravely as ourselves."

On the 25th July was fought the still more sanguinary battle of Niagara; in which SCOTT bore a most important part, and earned the title of the Hero of Lundy's Lane, by which he was known to the civilized world. Information having been received that the enemy had sent half his force across the river for an attack, as was supposed, upon Fort Schlosser, SCOTT was ordered, with a force of four battalions, consisting of 800 men, to advance upon the fort at the mouth of the Niagara. Reflecting that the whole British force had been beaten on the 5th, and supposing that but half of it was now on the Canada side, SCOTT dashed forward to disperse what he supposed was but a remnant of the enemy. Passing through a narrow strip of woods which hid the enemy from view, he was greatly astonished to find directly in front, drawn up in order of battle on Lundy's Lane, a larger force even than that he had encountered at Chippewa, twenty days before—the enemy having been greatly reinforced. The position he found himself in was truly critical. To stand fast was out of the question, being already under a heavy fire of the enemy's artillery and musketry. To retreat was equally hazardous, because of the confusion likely to ensue, and the danger of creating a panic in the reserve, then supposed to be coming up. SCOTT at once determined to maintain the battle against superior numbers and position, until the reserve should arrive. Thus the British commander, Gen. RIALL, was led to believe that the whole American army was at hand, and he was kept on the defensive, and from profiting by his numerical strength to attack our flanks and rear, until the expected reinforcement arrived. The battle began about forty minutes before sunset, and continued with unabated fury for several hours, a succession of brilliant movements on the part of SCOTT's troops, the while, causing the enemy frequently to fall back with severe loss. During the action, Major-Gen. RIALL and several other British officers were captured. At 9 o'clock at night, the enemy's right had been beaten back from its flank assault, with great loss. His left was turned and cut off. His centre alone remained firm, because it was posted on a ridge and supported by nine pieces of artillery—the battery which was soon after taken by the gallant Col. MILLER. The contest continued until midnight. During the entire action SCOTT was seen in the thickest of the fight and exposed to all the perils of the field. Two horses were killed under him. In the midst of the action he was wounded in the side, but continued at his post until 11 o'clock, when he was disabled by a wound from a musket ball through the left shoulder. The contest closed by the possession of the field of battle by the Americans and the capture of the enemy's cannon.

From the glorious field of Niagara SCOTT was borne, near the close of the engagement, twice wounded, and helpless. For weeks his life was despaired of. But the kind attention of sympathizing friends was rewarded at last, by his gradual recovery. In September, 1814, Philadelphia and Baltimore were threatened with an attack of the enemy. Crippled though he was, SCOTT was requested by the War Department to take at least nominal command of the troops assembled for the defence of those cities. Accompanied by his Aid—subsequently Gen. WORTH—he proceeded by easy stages to Philadelphia, receiving on the way the highest evidences of popular esteem, and being complimented at Princeton, when he passed through there, by the honorary degree of Master of Arts, conferred by the Trustees of the College. On the 16th of October he assumed command of the Tenth Military District, whose headquarters were at Washington. In the meantime he had been again promoted to the rank of Major-General—the highest then known in the American Army—at only twenty-eight years of age—appointed, too, by the wise and patriotic MADISON. On the 3d of November, 1813, SCOTT received a vote of thanks of Congress.

In February, 1815, the Treaty of Peace arrived in Washington. His administrative abilities were recognized soon after by a tender of the post of Secretary of War, which he declined, out of magnanimous deference toward his seniors, Maj.-Gens. BROWN and JACKSON. After assisting to reduce the army to the peace establishment, he was ordered to Europe by Government, both for the restoration of his health and for professional improvement. He was also confidentially intrusted with diplomatic functions, the duties of which he performed so well as to receive a letter of thanks from the State Department, by order of President MADISON. He returned from Europe in 1816, and in March, 1817, was married to Miss MARIA MAYO, daughter of JOHN MAYO, Esq., of Richmond, Va., who died some few years since, by whom he had several daughters, but no living son.

Many interesting incidents in the life, at that period, of Gen. SCOTT, must be passed over, including his personal attention and devotion to the troops under his command, when two-thirds of their number were swept away by the cholera of 1832, while on their way to the scene of the Black Hawk War. Night and day he was present among officers and men, nursing, comforting and consoling—establishing his claim to the title of a hero of humanity, in addition to that of hero of battles. To him also belonged the honor, in a great degree, of negotiating the treaties which brought peace to our northwestern frontier, in place of the hatchet and scalping-knife of the ruthless savage. For his courage and skill in these scenes of pestilence and savage controversies, Gen. CASS, then Secretary of War, paid SCOTT the highest compliments, in an official communication.

On the 20th January, Gen. SCOTT was ordered to the command of the Army of Florida, to chastise and subdue the Indians then engaged in the Seminole War. A brief campaign sufficed to discover the hidden fastnesses of the enemy in that new and unknown country. Dissatisfaction ensued, and he was ordered home by the President in a hasty moment, was tried before a Court of Inquiry, and his course, and the plan of the Seminole campaign were unanimously approved. SCOTT subsequently asked to be restored to the command in Florida, but his request was denied. It will be remembered, too, that he prosecuted the Creek War in the meantime, with entire success.

In the Winter of 1837-8, he went to the Niagara frontier, calming the excitement growing out of the "Patriot War," and by his kindly offices and judicious arrangements, soothing the populace, and nipping in the bud influences which threatened a renewal of hostilities between the United States and Great Britain. Soon afterward he was equally successful in quieting the Cherokee Indians, and effecting their peaceful removal beyond the Mississippi. His address to the Cherokees on this occasion is a pattern of persuasive eloquence. In the following year, his services were required again on the Northern frontier, in consequence of the difficulties growing out of the Maine Boundary question, which was soon happily settled.

In '39 Gen. SCOTT was presented to the Whig National Convention as a candidate for the Presidency. He believed, however, that the nomination was due to Mr. CLAY or Gen. HARRISON, and addressed letters to five members of the Convention, urging, if there was any prospect of success before the people, the selection of Mr. C., and if not, of Gen. H. His honorable ambition could not forget the claims of others for his own aggrandizement. Gen. HARRISON received the nomination, and was elected. A few months after this, at the death of Gen. MACOMB, on June 25, 1841, Gen. SCOTT was called to the command of the entire army. Again, in 1842, he addressed a letter to the Dayton (Ohio) Committee, declining the Whig Presidential nomination in favor of Mr. CLAY. In February, '43, he wrote his celebrated letter on Slavery, in which he presented distinctly the views sustained by Mr. CLAY in his speeches on the Compromise measures—to wit, that Congress "has no color of authority under the Constitution for touching the relation of master and slave within a State," but that, in the District of Columbia, "with the consent of their owners, or on the payment of just compensation, Congress may legislate at its discretion; but," he continued, "my conviction is equally strong that, unless it be step by step, with the Legislatures of Virginia and Maryland, it would be dangerous to both races in those States to touch the relation of master and slave in this District." He also defended the right of petition, but regretted the unavoidable irritation which Anti-Slavery petitions have produced in the Southern States.

In 1846 the war with Mexico broke out. The distinguished part borne in those scenes by Gen. SCOTT, in command of the gallant regulars and volunteers of our army, crowned the summit of his military glory; and under his command, in connection with the lamented TAYLOR, proofs were given of the skill, impetuosity and valor of American arms, which elicited the highest commendation from the veterans of Waterloo; restituted the right of the United States to rank among the first of warlike Powers; and has thus far resulted in preserving our peace with the world against all ordinary causes of dissatisfaction,—for it was been well said, by one high in the councils and confidence of his country, that "it will ever, in the future, be exceedingly difficult for the United States to get another war," so completely triumphant was our recent exhibition of military prowess.

It was the good fortune of Gen. TAYLOR to be present where the first laurels were to be won in the contest with Mexico. How well he earned, and how gloriously he wore them, need not here be told. Gen. SCOTT well knew the value of his old companion in arms, and that a proper occasion only was wanting for a development of those brilliant qualities of soldiership, which have since rendered the name of TAYLOR so illustrious. He was unwilling to snatch from TAYLOR the glory he knew he was about to acquire; nor willing to decline a service corresponding to his rank, when the President intimated an intention to send him to assume the chief command and supersede the Hero of Buena Vista. He therefore suggested that he be permitted, during the Summer months to collect and drill the troops destined for Mexico, get together the material of the army, and then join Gen. TAYLOR with such additional forces as would insure with certainty the objects of the campaign, and at the same time respect the well-established military usage, "that a junior of distinguished merit ought to be superseded by a senior in rank only by the addition of large reinforcements." The plan would give TAYLOR the glory of one campaign, and prevent the American forces for a decisive blow at the very earliest period when it could be made effectual. The spirit in which these suggestions were received by the President and Secretary of War (MARCY) evinced a want of confidence in the plans proposed by Gen. SCOTT. Civilians forgot his eminent military skill, the uniform success of his past achievements, his many services; and it was more than believed by his friends that a fear of SCOTT's political position, as a prominent candidate for the Presidency in opposition to the dominant party, chiefly led to a countermand of the order to take the field. "Let him go to Mexico" would seem to have been the argument, "and returning to the people fresh from new military triumphs, he will become a successful competitor for the Administrative succession." Smarting under a rebuke so little deserved, and filled with scorn and contempt at the paltry persecution which had now been commenced against him, Gen. SCOTT again addressed the President, recapitulating the difficulties in the way of immediate action, stating anew his plans, and reminding the Executive that no General, exercising the difficult function of a distant command, could feel secure without the support and confidence of the Government at home.

In September following he addressed a letter to the Secretary of War, asking to be assigned to the command of the army on the Rio Grande, which request met with a flat refusal. Subsequent developments show that about this time President POLK entertained the subject of creating the office of Lieutenant-General, thus to supersede the war-marked hero of Chippewa and Niagara, and toss the fresh laurels of Palo Alto and Resaca de la Palma from the brow of the gallant TAYLOR by subordinating them both to a partisan friend of the Administration. After all this had been arranged, however, the hero of Palo Alto had loomed up so largely before his countrymen, and excited so much of their admiration and enthusiasm, that he was clearly becoming quite as formidable as a prospective Whig Presidential candidate as SCOTT himself. In the vain hope of stemming this popular tide, by directing it toward one supposed to have been crippled by persecution, SCOTT was, in November, 1846, ordered to repair to the seat of war—a command which he obeyed with cheerful alacrity, having been assured by the President of his confidence and support, and given to understand that he would have continued and entire command of the army in Mexico. It was on the 16th of November that he left Washington for the Rio Grande. Congress met in two weeks afterward; and immediately upon its organization, the proposition to supersede both SCOTT and TAYLOR was brought forward.

It is needless here to recite all the evidences of the "attack from the rear" which SCOTT had apprehended; how the news of the attempt to degrade him was sent in advance to the very army into which he was to breathe the inspiration of hope, which he was to train and prepare for the deadly conflicts that awaited them; and how the men he was to command were told that the President had no confidence in him; how some of the principal arrangements for the attack on Vera Cruz were delayed by the Government at home; how the bill for raising the ten additional regiments was lost sight of in the desire to carry the favorite project of placing a political partisan at the head of the army.

We can but call to mind the landing at Vera Cruz, March 10, 1847; the capture of the supposed impregnable Castle of San Juan de Ulloa, on the 27th; the glorious achievements of Cerro Gordo, on the 18th of April; the entrance into the City of Puebla, on the 15th of May; the field of Contreras, on the 19th of August; the battle of Churubusco, on the succeeding day; the strife at Molino del Rey; the storm of Chapultepec; and the last, the decisive blow—the capture of the City of Mexico, on the 14th of September, 1847. Where else, save in the annals of the war for the Union, does history's page, within the brief period of six months, record a campaign in which was crowded a succession of so many and such brilliant exploits? What wonder that such deeds and results, achieved under the command of SCOTT, led the veteran WELLINGTON to declare the campaign unsurpassed in military annals, and to yield to the American General the title of the greatest living soldier! Nor were his acts of administration in closing the war, negotiating the peace, comforting the vanquished, and protecting their property, less worthy of commendation. In all these he displayed in still higher degree the shrewdness, tact and judgment which distinguished the first years of his public service.

But he had another foe to meet; he had yet to meet the persecutions and slanders of some high in power among his countrymen; his spotless honor was to be impeached and defended; his fair fame to be vindicated against the malignity of a relentless enemy, posted where he should have known only friends and allies. When he had finished the last acts of the Mexican drama, and dispatched to the Government the first peaceful fruits of well-earned victories, the order came which suspended him from his command, in the very presence of the conquered enemy, and summoned him before a tribunal of inferiors. But his countrymen rose *en masse*, and resented the insult offered to the most successful General of the age with such spirit that the persecution quailed before the storm of popular indignation. And after the toil-worn veteran had been dragged home a prisoner, the prosecution was dropped. The Court of Inquiry simply reported a voluminous mass of testimony, glad to slink away in oblivion, without even vouchsafing the accused a verdict, to be appealed from, or acknowledging his impotence.

PRESIDENTIAL NOMINATION.

On the 21st of June, 1852, Gen. SCOTT was nominated for President by the Whig Convention at Baltimore on the fifty-third ballot, when he received 159 votes, Mr. FILLMORE 112, and Mr. WEBSTER 31. After a very active campaign, the popular vote summed up as follows:

For Franklin Pierce	1,601,274
For Winfield Scott	1,386,580
For J. P. Hale	155,825

The failure to elect SCOTT to the Presidency under the circumstances which attended the Whig Convention was to discerning eyes a foregone conclusion. The officious and over-zealous declaration of the Convention in favor of the Pro-Slavery measures, known as the Compromise of 1850, disintegrated the Whig Party, and it went into the contest disabled and undisciplined, having no rallying point but the single name of SCOTT. The great State of Ohio was thus directly lost to the Whigs, and, beyond question, several other States in the North, by the demoralization occasioned by an erroneous and unpopular platform. In the South, where SCOTT should really have gained by the platform, he lost from the simple fact that his election was sustained by that portion of Whigs supposed to be under the influence of Mr. SEWARD. In fine, so powerfully were the accidents of the campaign against him, that at this time it is only singular he was so well sustained. The Whig Party was demoralized by the want of moral courage in its leaders, and even the splendid achievements and solid popularity of SCOTT could not make up for the disorder, confusion and desertion which attended the mal-administration of the party. To those who took deeper than the surface of things it is apparent that the political strength of SCOTT was far greater than it was represented to be by the electoral votes.

SCOTT received 57,813 votes more than Mr. CLAY had in 1844, and 36,481 more than TAYLOR did in 1848. In fact, therefore, SCOTT received all the support which the Whig Party was then able to give, and undoubtedly much on his own account that would not have been rendered to another candidate.

When the political contest of 1852 was over, there was an unsatisfied feeling in the nation toward Gen. SCOTT. Political opponents felt it as well as friends. A great party had triumphed. Another had been defeated. But the nation felt that the merits and services of SCOTT ought not to depend for their reward on the success or defeat of either. There was an intrinsic claim for a peculiar mark of distinction entirely independent of all political controversies. At length, when the political heat of the day had in some measure subsided, when the President was in full possession of party power, and when other issues began to take the place of former ones, Congress undertook to carry out the national wishes in regard to the acquisition of Mexico. It was proposed and adopted in Congress to confer upon SCOTT the brevet rank of Lieutenant-General.

In the year 1859, SCOTT had reached the advanced age of seventy-three, and might be supposed beyond the period of active duties; yet, just then, there occurred one of those events which might occasion a catastrophe of great magnitude, and which the influence of such a man might prevent. The Government looked to him for the service, and he did not hesitate to give it.

In the treaty called the Ashburton Treaty, in which our northern boundary with Great Britain was defined with great accuracy, the line on the Pacific side ran south of Vancouver's Island with the Straits of Fuca. In the straits, however, was an island whose position in regard to the main channel was doubtful. It was occupied by the British, who assumed authority over it. American residents denied this, and General HARNEY acting, as he supposed, in defence of American rights, seized the island, and placed a military force upon it. This act was received by the British residents with great indignation. DOUGLAS, the British Governor in the North west, resented it, and threatened retaliation. The newspapers of both nations took the matter up, and there was danger of a conflict disastrous to both. It was obvious that Gen. HARNEY had acted with too much haste, since it could not be known where the true channel was until the joint commission from the Governments could survey and establish it. It was absolutely necessary to restore the *status quo*, leaving the result of a survey to determine who should be the future occupants of the island. For this purpose Gen. SCOTT was sent to the Pacific, an arduous and circuitous journey over thousands of miles. He accomplished his mission with the same grace and success which had attended him in the troubles on the Canada line and on the borders of Maine. The confidence of the nation in him was so great, that no one has inquired by what means the result was brought about. The end was accomplished, the danger of conflict was over, and General SCOTT quietly returned to his home and his duties in New York.

This brings the sketch of SCOTT down to the opening of the war of the Rebellion, in which it was his fortune to figure prominently at first, and with much embarrassment to be involved when all was chaotic and confused.

It is now matter of history that the real, actual operations of secession which alone were of any practical importance, or gave it any thought, were the seizure by armed bodies of the forts, arsenals, revenue cutters, and arms of the Government, without which secession would have existed merely on paper, and have been entirely ineffectual. By this seizure the Government was deprived of all offensive means, and the rebels thoroughly armed and equipped. It quietly permitted (as it was) it became a masterly piece of policy on their part, and a most signal example of blindness in the Government. SCOTT, with his experience and sagacity, was not blinded in this way. Without knowing positively (for no human person could) all the plans and schemes by which the conspirators had determined to overthrow the Government, he knew from his own observation what they might do, and what with common sagacity they would do. By a singular fatality, which can only be apologized for by the smallness of the American army, the Government had left a long range of forts and fortifications on the Atlantic coast, particularly in the South, without any suitable garrisons, and in some cases without even a guard—fortifications which, in the aggregate, cost the Government one hundred millions of dollars, were left utterly defenceless. A common pirate vessel might have seized half of them, and, in fact, a company or two of militia did seize some of the most important forts. When we look back upon this utterly defenceless state of all the Government forts and positions on the Southern coast, we can only account for it on the supposition of treason or fatuity. SCOTT took the only means in his power to prevent the result. He had gone to Charleston, S. C., in 1839, to act in the double capacity of commander and mediator in the threatened collision between the militiaers and the Government. He was perfectly familiar with the ideas current in that region, and he knew that the dissolution of the Union was one of the events which was calmly and deliberately held in view, as the consequences of their professed policy, and that the seizure of the forts was intended to be one of the first acts of resistance to the Government. Looking to this condition of things, Gen. SCOTT, months before the occurrence of secession, wrote to Mr. BUCHANAN (then President) his views on the subject as follows:

OCTOBER 29, 1860.

"The excitement that threatens secession is caused by the near prospect of a Republican's election to the Presidency. From a sense of propriety, as a soldier, I have taken no part in the pending canvass, and, as always heretofore, mean to stay away from the polls. My sympathies, however, are with the Bell and Everett ticket. With Mr. LINCOLN I have had no communication whatever, direct or indirect, and have no recollection of ever having seen his person; but cannot believe any unconstitutional violence or breach of law is to be apprehended from his administration of the Federal Government.

"From a knowledge of our Southern population, it is my solemn conviction that there is some danger of an early act of rashness preliminary to secession, viz., the seizure of some or all of the following posts: Forts Jackson and St. Philip, on the Mississippi, below New-Orleans, both without garrisons; Fort Morgan, below Mobile, without a garrison; Forts Pickens and McKee, Pensacola Harbor, with an insufficient garrison for one; Fort Pulaski, below Savannah, without a garrison; Forts Sumter and Moultrie, Charleston Harbor, the former with an insufficient garrison, and the latter without any; and Fort Monroe, Hampton Roads, without a sufficient garrison. In my opinion all these works should be immediately so garrisoned as to make any attempt to take any one of them, by surprise or *coup de main*, ridiculous.

"With the army faithful to its allegiance, and the navy probably equally so, and with a Federal Executive, for the next twelve months, of firmness and moderation, which the country has a right to expect—moderation being an element of power not less than firmness—there is good reason to hope that the danger of secession may be made to pass away without the conflict of

THE PRESBYTERIAN ASSEMBLIES.

The Louisville Commissioners Decline to Make Defence—A Great Speech by Rev. Dr. Thomas.

Correspondence of the New-York Times.

ST. LOUIS, Friday, May 25, 1866.

The recommendation that the Louisville Presbyters be permitted to discuss the report and to defend themselves, adopted by the Old School Assembly, was conveyed to these Presbyters, officially through the Permanent Clerk of the Assembly. They returned the following haughty and impudent reply, which was read last evening:

The undersigned, Commissioners from the Presbytery of Louisville, who happen not yet to have left the city, overlooking, in the spirit of Christian forbearance, the insult and seeming mockery of the Presbytery and themselves, in a proposition to appear and be heard before a court which has already condemned them unheard, in response to the resolution of this afternoon, transmitted to them by the Permanent Clerk of the General Assembly, must respectfully refer the Assembly to their letter of May 19, as containing very obvious and sufficient reasons why they could not, without further special instructions from their Presbytery, appear before the present Assembly in any capacity.

SAM. R. WILSON,
STUART ROBINSON,
C. A. WICKLIFFE.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 24, 1866.

The "letter of May 19" is their protest, to which I made reference in a former communication. I give you a little more fully its substance, in the preamble, the second, the sixth points and the conclusion:

To the Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, now in session in St. Louis:

The undersigned, Commissioners from the Presbytery of Louisville, deem it both respectful to the Assembly and demanded by the interests of truth and righteousness, to lay before the body, through you, in this formal and official manner, for record on the minutes, their views and purposes in regard to the resolution passed yesterday, under operation of the previous question, to this effect, that

Whereas, The Presbytery of Louisville have "openly defied the Assembly" and declared publicly their intention not to enforce the orders of the two last Assemblies, on slaves and loyalty, &c., and have, in act, disregarded them in sending a Commissioner here who, by his faithful execution of those acts, would probably have been suspended from the functions of his office; therefore,

Resolved, That, until the Assembly shall have examined and decided upon the conduct of said Presbytery, the Commissioners shall not be entitled to seats in this body.

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Aside, however, from the mistake of fact in the premises, a far more important matter, in our judgment, is the error in the principle involved in such action, even were the facts as charged. On this view of the case, we beg leave with all respect and deference to suggest:

2. This, therefore, makes manifest what was confessed on the floor of the Assembly by some who voted for this resolution, that the action was *in its nature judicial*, and it is, therefore, in effect, a judicial sentence pronounced and executed, not only in disregard of all the provisions for a fair trial, so carefully ordained in our constitution, but, under the operation of the previous question, excluding the parties charged from a word of explanation, defense or protest.

6. It but evinces more clearly and aggravates the wrong done in this case, that the Assembly resolves not absolutely and finally to exclude us, but only to exclude us until and unless the Assembly "shall otherwise and decided." The right to examine and decide under such a resolution; the right to exclude us, even for an hour, pending such examination; the right to exclude us after such examination is had, and the right absolutely and finally to exclude us, are all equally groundless. The injury inflicted on the good name of the Presbytery among the churches and the community generally, is as though probably guilty of high crime is scarcely less than the penalty from a sentence of final exclusion. Besides, even though it was consistent with our proper self-respect, and with the honor of the Presbytery for us to await the result of the Assembly's inquisition, thereby recognizing the Assembly's right thus "to examine and decide," we are cut off, by the sentence of exclusion, from the exercise of every right of defence. All of which makes it still more palpably manifest that the action of the Assembly is, in effect, the pronouncing and executing of sentence, and afterward proceeding to examine and decide.

With profound respect for the Assembly as the highest court of the Church, and with unfeigned sorrow that we are constrained, in fidelity to our trust, thus to speak, we feel it our duty to say to the Assembly that, regarding this action as of the nature of a judgment upon the Presbytery and its commissioners, and as passed upon them in the absence of a written or oral trial or hearing in any form in explanation or defence; regarding this action as not only unjust, injurious and cruel, but as subversive of the foundations of all justice, destructive of the constitution of the Church, and revolutionary in its nature; regarding it as setting a precedent for the exercise of a partisan power in the courts of Christ's Kingdom, which leaves all who are not the dominant party in the people at the mercy of any faction that may casually be in the ascendency—we should be untrue to the Presbytery whose commission we bear, faithless to the cause of truth and Christian freedom, false to our Lord and King, should we silently acquiesce in such procedure, or in any way recognize its legality. We must regard this action in its effect, so far as relates to us as Commissioners, and to this present Assembly, as final in the case.

With these views and convictions there is but one course left open to us, viz.: To take our appeal at once upon the issue as it has been made for us and forced upon us, from this General Assembly to the Presbytery of Louisville in particular, in so far as it concerns ourselves and that body, and to the whole Church in so far as it is an issue involving the great principles of her Constitution, and, indeed, her continued existence as a free Christian commonwealth in the enjoyment of the franchises and immunities conferred upon her by her adorable Head.

We therefore respectfully inform the Assembly that we shall not attend further upon its sessions.

STUART ROBINSON,
SAMUEL R. WILSON,
MARK HARDIN,
C. A. WICKLIFFE.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 19, 1866.

Rev. Dr. THOMAS' speech in defence and explanation of the Committee's report, began last evening in an hour and a half of close argument, and resumed this morning, will be one of the great historical addresses of the Church. Deliberate, comprehensive, pertinent, classical, graceful—the high, thin voice fell on the attentive ears of a house crowded from platform to gallery-door. The loud clapping of hands in the end of gallery at the ready response of VAN DYKE, who professed to have chapter and verse of Scripture against immediate emancipation, showed there were two sorts of people in the house.

The New School had a most satisfactory time yesterday, at a point replete with geographical, geological, patriotic, historic, and non-ecclesiastic associations. They left the top of Pilot Knob with the wish that their brethren of the other School may reach the serene heights which they had already attained. The Old School have their excursion on Saturday.

To-day, Rev. Dr. SMITH read to the New School Assembly the report of the Committee on the State of the Country, as follows:

The Committee on the State of the Country propose to the Assembly the following Declarations:

This Assembly records its devout gratitude to Almighty God, that He has delivered us from the calamities and horrors of civil war, and restored peace throughout our borders.

That He has so far quelled the spirit of secession that the supreme and rightful authority of our beneficent National Government is now restored in all our States and Territories, and we remain, as we were intended to be, one undivided nation under one flag and one Constitution.

That He has so overruled the progress and results of this unparalleled conflict as to make it manifest that our republican institutions are as well fitted to bear the fiery ordeal of war as to give prosperity and increase in times of peace.

That by His wise and constraining Providence, guiding us in ways we knew not, He has caused the passions and wrath of war to work for the furtherance of His ends, so that a whole race has been emancipated from an unjust and cruel system of bondage and advanced to the rights and dignity of freemen; that slavery, whether called servitude, except for crime, is illegal and unconstitutional wherever our national authority extends.

That He gave to our people such a spontaneous, impassioned and unbought loyalty—a loyalty that can neither be forced nor feigned—such readiness and self-denial, and such a supreme consciousness of our national unity, that we were able in the darkest hours to bear with cheerful submission our heavy burdens and our many sacrifices, so that our very sacrifices have knit us more closely together and made us love our country more.

That He has warped and enlightened our National conscience in respect to our national sins, especially the sin of slavery; and has also made it to recognize, more fully than before the reality of Divine Providences, the supremacy and justice of retribution for National guilt, and the eternal fact that a nation can be saved only as it yields obedience to His righteous laws.

That He bestowed such grace upon our churches and ministry, that with singular unanimity and zeal they upheld our rightful Government and the cause of liberty, testimony and effectual supplications, identifying the success of the nation with the welfare of the Church.

That above all these things, He has, according to His gracious promise, been in the midst of us as a wall of fire round about us during these trobulous times; so that not only has our American Christianity been vindicated, our faith and order maintained intact, and our Christian experience enhanced, but our purpose and plans for the future have been also enlarged in some proportion to the needs and growth of our country; while, to crown all these favors with His special Benediction, He has also, in these latter days, enlisted devout spiritual hearts in abundant measure upon so many churches all over the land.

This Assembly, while humbly recognizing these judgments and mercies in the past and the present, also bears testimony in respect to our urgent needs and duties as a nation in view of the new era upon which we are now entering, as follows, viz:

1. Our most solemn national trust concerns that patient race, so long held in unrighteous bondage. Only as we are just to them can we live in peace and safety. Freed by the war, they have become, by the fact, in all their civil rights by the National Power, and, as promoting this end, (which far transcends any mere political or party object, we rejoice that the constitutional amendments abolishing slavery are also ultimately and especially that the Civil Rights Bill has become the law of the land. In respect to the question of the right of suffrage to the colored race, this Assembly adheres to the resolution passed by our Assembly of 1865 (Minutes, p. 42): "That the colored man should in this country enjoy the right of suffrage, in connection with all other men, is but the simple assertion that this Assembly cannot perceive any good reason why he should be deprived of this right on the ground of his color or his race." Even if suffrage may not be universal, let it at least be impartial.

In case such impartial suffrage is not conceded, that we may still reap the legitimate fruits of our national victory over secession and slavery, and that treason and rebellion may not inure to the direct political advantage of the guilty, we judge it to be a simple act of justice that the constitutional representation in Congress should be so far altered as to meet the exigencies growing out of the abolition of slavery; and we likewise hold it to be the solemn duty of our national Executive and Congress to adopt only such methods of reconstruction as shall effectually protect all loyal persons in the States lately in revolt.

As to fidelity to the highest civil virtues, and treason the highest civil crime, so it is necessary for the due vindication and satisfaction of national justice that the chief fomenters and representatives of the rebellion should, by the course and process of law, be visited with condign punishment.

4. The Christian religion being the underlying source of all our prosperity, freedom and salvation, we are earnestly exhort all our ministers and churches to constant and earnest prayer for the President of the United States and his constitutional counsellors, for the Senate and House of Representatives in Congress assembled, for the Judges of our National Courts, and those that bear rule in our army and navy, and for all persons intrusted with authority; that they may be endowed with heavenly wisdom, and rule in the fear of God; that justice may be administered in high trusts, without self-seeking or partiality, that this great Republic, being delivered from its enemies, may renew its youth, and put forth all its strength in the ways of truth and righteousness, for the good of our own land and the world.

5. And we further exhort and admonish the members of our churches to diligence and fidelity in the duties of family and personal religion, to self-denial in personal and sectional aims and low ambitions, and to do their full duty as Christian freemen; so that God may own our Christian and Protestant civilization, may sanctify its conflicts and victories, and that we may not be the prey of our own lusts and of infidelity or sunken in carelessness and worldliness; that the sacred interests of civil and religious freedom, of our human rights and justice to all, of our national loyalty, and national unity may be defended, perpetuated, making our Christian Commonwealth a praise among the nations of the earth, exemplifying and spreading the progress of the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

HENRY SMITH,
WILLIAM HOGARTH,
THOMAS BROWN,
HENRY DARLINGTON,
JOSEPH ALLISON
D. V. CHAMBERLAIN,
E. SCARRETT.

Rev. Mr. FOWLER moved that the consideration of that report be made the special order for Monday evening. Lost.

Rev. Mr. GIBSON, of Illinois, moved that the article that condemned the leaders of the rebellion to punishment, be stricken out, because it was not becoming for the Assembly to say a single word about it.

Mr. GIBSON'S amendment was lost, and the report was adopted without a dissenting vote.

It was also voted that a copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the President of the United States, through the Secretary of State, and to the President of the Senate and Chairman of the House. K.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

METROPOLITAN BOARD OF HEALTH

Another Cholera Ship in the Lower Bay—The Mortuary Report—Messrs. Swift & Spinola's Peculiar Boats—Other Matters.

At the meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Health, yesterday, Commissioner BERGEN read a letter from the acting Coroner of Coney Island, detailing the finding of several human bodies which had been sewed up in bed-ticking and undoubtedly cast overboard from a ship somewhere near the harbor of New-York, and which had been washed ashore on the Coney Island beach. The acting Coroner of Coney Island imagined these bodies to have been buried from the hospital ships in the Lower Bay, and this opinion prevails among the inhabitants of Gravesend, the town which has been compelled to incur the expense ($6 35 for each body) of suitable land burial. The people of the Long Island shore are naturally apprehensive of cholera infection from the washing ashore of the victims of the disease on board the ships in the Lower Bay, and they therefore appeal to the Board of Health. Dr. SUTHERLAND informed the Board that since the promulgation of the order forbidding the throwing overboard of bedding and soiled garments from infected vessels inside Sandy Hook, the officers and passengers of cholera ships had thrown their clothing and bedding overboard outside the bar. He did not know what disposition the Deputy Health officer had made of the *Fireball's* dead, but presumed that he had not buried any body in the Bay without first providing sufficient anchorage. The Doctor added, that if cholera patients could be taken ashore and treated, the Port Physician would then be rid of a most perplexing difficulty. Medical men are a unit in the opinion that no mischief can come from the corpse of a victim of cholera. It is the bedding, clothing and other textiles which have been soiled by cholera evacuations that we have most to fear. The cholera ships are surrounded by an intensely hostile population, and the Port Physician is nowhere offered a square rod of territory on which he may burn these infected materials. President SCHULTZ, who had been on his knees to the residents of New-Jersey, Staten Island and the Long Island shore, begging them to give him a isolated acre whereon to put infected travelers in quarantine, characterized their refusal as inhuman; and added, that since they will offer us no place of sepulture, they have only themselves to blame if corpses are washed ashore. He held that the ocean had thrown up Coney Island purposely for a Quarantine, and he had appealed to the Supervisors of Gravesend for permission to erect temporary barracks there, offering them any guarantee which they might require, and pledging himself to erect a wall of any reasonable height; but they had unanimously said No! We cannot inter these bodies on do. We have not an inch of land, and both the Health and the Quarantine Commissioners find their hands tied so that the best they can do is to provide hulks wherein a thousand persons might be burned alive before any human succor could reach them. Commissioner BERGEN suggested that the infected clothing from the cholera ships might be burned on board an iron boat, and that the bodies of cholera victims might be buried on the northern part of Manhattan Island. He assured the Board that the people of Long Island had cause for alarm, for, said he, in 1856, while twenty yellow-fever ships were anchored in the Lower Bay, our medical savans assured us that there was no danger, and yet sixty persons died of yellow fever at Fort Hamilton, and two of the number were eminent physicians. Dr. SUTHERLAND would gladly prevent the throwing overboard of clothing and bedding from the hospital ships; but he has been unable to keep the passengers under surveillance at night, and they have then violated the rules in this respect. He has had only five policemen, and the revenue cutter which was promised him lies coolly at anchor off the Elysian Fields. If he had an acre of land within five miles of the hospital-ships, and the passengers were kept thereon, they could not then toss infected clothing into the Bay. Mr. GEORGE W. BLUNT, President of the Board of Pilot Commissioners, addressed the Board of Health briefly, but before he had finished a messenger entered from the hospital-ship, with tidings of

CHOLERA IN THE LOWER BAY,

contained in two letters from the officers of the *Falcon*, which Dr. SWINBURNE read, as follows:

HOSPITAL SHIP FALCON, QUARANTINE, May 29, 1866.

Dr. Swinburne, Health Officer:

SIR: The British steamship *Union*, from Liverpool, C. H. FALCONER master, has just arrived. Died on the passage thirty, most of them by cholera. She has now on board some fifteen cases, some of them very low. Passage, 16½ days. Number of passengers, 632. We are sending the worst cases of the hospital to the Island Hospital, and will have the sick on the *Union* here this afternoon. The pilot on the *Union* is insisting that he is to go to-day at once. There, however, detain him until I hear from you. Nothing new since you were here. In great haste, yours truly,

D. H. BRESLIN, Deputy Health Officer.
MOSES TAYLOR, Agent.

NEW-YORK, May 29, 1866.

Dr. Swinburne, Health Officer:

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The steamship *Persia*, at this port, and the *St. David* at Father Point, arrived yesterday, bringing three days' later intelligence. The general situation of affairs in Europe had undergone no change. Rumors of an approaching Congress were still afloat, but the German powers continued their warlike preparations. Semi-official declarations affirm the neutral position of France, and her desire for the maintenance of peace. The panic had ceased to excite comment in England, and the worst of the crisis seemed to have gone by.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, Mr. LANE, of Kansas, introduced a bill to donate public lands to the several States which may provide Agricultural Colleges for the education of persons of African descent, which was referred. The bill to grant the Winona and St. Peter Railroad the right to bridge the Mississippi was considered, but no action was taken. The reconstruction resolutions were then taken up. The third, disfranchising the rebels till the year 1870, was stricken out by a unanimous vote. Mr. SUMNER introduced a bill to enforce the Constitutional Amendment abolishing Slavery by securing the elective franchise to colored citizens. The Railroad Bill was passed by a vote of 22 to 19.

In the House, Mr. STEVENS reported back the Senate amendments to the Military Academy Appropriation Bill. Some of the amendments were nonconcurred in, and a Committee of Conference was asked. The Freedmen's Bureau Bill was passed; yeas 96, nays 32. The bill from the Reconstruction Committee reported in April, was next considered, and the House was addressed by Mr. ASHLEY and Mr. LATHAM.

GENERAL NEWS.

The Jacksonville (Fla.) *Union* of May 19 says: "On Thursday of last week Col. SPRAGUE, commanding the District of East Florida, removed his headquarters from this city to St. Augustine, removing the greater portion of the troops at this post, and leaving but a small number to bring up the rear. We learn that this balance has been removed this week, and, consequently, the city is now without the presence of the military, and she is left entirely to the control of the civil law for the preservation of the public peace."

The editor of the *Houma Guard*, Louisiana, in a recent look along Bayou du Large, saw but few negroes. "We walked out into the fields and saw no laborers but the planters themselves, their sons, or, in a few instances, white assistants. All were in the fields plowing, hoeing, harrowing or planting—men, women and children. They are, mostly, educated gentlemen." The crops were generally in fine order.

The ship-owners of Boston held a meeting yesterday to take into consideration the extended strikes among the workmen in the ship-yards. Coöperation with the capitalists of Philadelphia and other cities was proposed, in order to defeat the unreasonable demands of the strikers and their oppressive acts of coercion in preventing others from working in the yards.

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The printers of the Troy *Whig* are on a "strike," because the publishers refuse to discharge a foreman, against whom they have conceived a dislike. The proprietors say the foreman is faithful and competent, and very properly refuse to submit to the attempted dictation.

The news of the burning yesterday of the old Congress Hall Hotel at Saratoga, will be learned with sincere regret by many persons in all parts of the country, it having been for so many years one of the best-conducted and capacious houses in that attractive watering-place.

From the reports made to the Columbus, Ohio, Horticultural Society, at their last meeting, it seems that in that vicinity the crop of all kinds of fruit is likely to be a small one. Peaches and cherries are entirely destroyed.

GOV. FENTON left the capital on Saturday last, for his home in Jamestown, Chautauque County, and it is understood, will be absent until about the 20th of June.

Three emigrant children died in Detroit, Saturday, from a disease supposed to be Asiatic cholera. They had just arrived in the city, over the Great Western Railway.

A new police regulation has gone into effect in Chicago. All persons found loafing in the streets, who can give no reputable account of themselves, are arrested and lodged in the station-houses.

From statistics received for the past week from Cleveland and Toledo, it appears that more emigrants have passed through those points for the West than in any previous week this year.

A fire at St. Paul, Minnesota, on Friday, destroyed the Cosmopolitan Hotel, ALLEN & CRAMMER'S drug-store, and eight smaller buildings on Third-street. Loss $75,000, partially insured.

MCALVIN FLETCHER, one of the first settlers of Indianapolis, and a prominent and wealthy banker and citizen, died in that city on Sunday.

The steamer *Sanduski*, with 250 bales of upland cotton, was burned a few days since on the Savannah River.

BARNES' steel-spring and wire factory at Bristol, Conn., was destroyed by fire yesterday. The loss is about $30,000.

LOCAL NEWS.

At the meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Health, yesterday, Dr. GEORGE A. FREEMAN was appointed Clerk, to act as Sanitary Inspector for Singsing. Capt. B. G. LORD, of the Sanitary Police, sent in an interesting letter describing certain boats without bottoms, belonging to Messrs. SWIFT & SPINOLA, of Brooklyn. Judge BOSWORTH called attention to what he was pleased to term the absurdity of some of the Board's orders, saying that they are all well enough so long as the public see fit to comply. The Judge seemed to think that the Board cannot do anything if anybody objects, and that its strength lies in its ability to scold the public into compliance with its orders. Messrs. BERGEN and SCHULTZ and Dr. SWINBURNE discussed the quarantine question at length, and Dr. CRANE defended the Brooklyn Sanitary Inspection Office, showing from figures that it has already done tenfold more work than the old Board of Health performed in the whole of 1865.

In the Police Courts yesterday the following commitments were made: JACOB LEVY, on a charge of burglary, the stolen property being found in his possession; MARTIN BLANKE was held to await the result of the injuries inflicted by him on EUGENE MCDONNELL, by striking him on the head with a club; JOHN HICKEY was held for trial on a charge of keeping a gambling house; JOSEPH FLYNN, a liquor dealer at No. 138 East Twenty-second-street, was arrested on a charge of keeping a liquor saloon without a license, in violation of section 3 of the Excise Law. He was held to bail to answer.

The Metropolitan Board of Excise yesterday granted 270 licenses, raising the total to 8,181. The licenses of several dealers who sold liquors on Sunday last were revoked. Dr. CRANE proposed a resolution licensing apothecaries to sell by prescription upon the payment of a fee of $30; but the resolution, after discussion, was tabled. Treasurer MANIERRE's receipts foot up at $635,000. Col. BARNHAM, Inspector of Excise, has passed about 6,000 indorsed applications for license.

Early yesterday afternoon the news was received in the City of the death of Lieut.-Gen. SCOTT at West Point. His sickness was very brief, as he was in usual health and out of doors on Saturday last. He retained his consciousness and recognized his friends almost to the moment of his decease. The melancholy event was noticed by public demonstrations in various parts of the country.

Yesterday morning, Judge JONES' injunction restraining the Metropolitan Board of Health from proceeding further against Mr. CHARLES H. REYNOLDS' lime-kilns, in East Fifteenth-street, near Avenue B, was served upon the several members of the Board. Answer is returnable at 10 o'clock this morning, to Messrs. SCUDDER & CARTER, of No. 66 Wall-street.

An inquest was held yesterday by Coroner GOWAN, on the body of WILLIAM DICKSON, who committed suicide by hanging himself. The deceased had been a soldier, and was unable to obtain permanent employment. A verdict in accordance with the facts was rendered.

A decree of divorce was granted yesterday in the case of MARTIN SMITH vs. JULIA SMITH. In the suit of JOHNATHAN T. DOW vs. ED DOUGLASS, the report of the Referee was confirmed by Justice BARNARD, of the Supreme Court, sitting at Chambers.

The complaint in the divorce suit of SAXTON vs. SAXTON has been dismissed by order of the Supreme Court, and the parties to the action are restored to the same rights and relations, as to each other and their children, which they sustained prior to the commencement of the litigation.

The British steamship *Union*, after a passage of sixteen and a half days from Liverpool, arrived at the Lower Quarantine yesterday afternoon, with 434 passengers, about a score of whom were down with cholera. Thirty passengers and two of the crew died of cholera on the passage.

An important question, involving the power of Courts to compel the removal of street signs by temporary injunction orders, has just been decided in the Supreme Court at Special Term.

The weekly report of Dr. ELISHA HARRIS, Registrar of Vital Statistics, shows a total of 392 deaths in the City during the week ending on Saturday, the 26th inst.

Messrs. ACKER and MANIERRE, of the Excise Board's Committee on Applications for License, will sit again at 9 o'clock this morning, and probably close the hearing of liquor-vendors' appeals to-day.

The sales of gold yesterday were at 137¾@138⅜ ₱ cent., closing at 137¾ ₱ cent. Money easy at 6 ₱ cent. Government stocks advancing; 5-20s 103¼@103⅜; Railways active; the Erie break down continued to 87½ ₱ cent.

Business in Produce and Merchandise was restricted yesterday. Prices of Breadstuffs, Pork, Butter, Cheese, Cotton and Tallow favored buyers. Light freight engagements were reported.

But little business was done yesterday at the live stock markets, as nearly all the beef cattle were sold out on Monday. The arrivals for the week number 5,048, against 6,108 the previous week. The lowest price was 12c. ₱ lb. net, and the highest 18c. Most of the cattle were sold for about 16c, ₱ lb. net. The quality of the beef cattle was fully equal to the average quality of droves in several weeks past. But little is done between dealers in milch cows. The receipts for the week number 84. The best have sold for about $100. Poor ones for $50. We saw a citizen offer $150 in greenbacks for an extra cow, without purchasing her. Calves are offered freely. The number arrived at all the markets and direct to butchers, is 1,675 for the week. The best have sold for 13c. ₱ lb. live weight. Common to good calves brought about 8c.@10c. ₱ lb., live weight. Transactions in sheep and lambs have been moderate, the demand fair, but the quality of the sheep was rather inferior to droves usually received. Good, fat sheep sold for 6c.@9c., live weight. Lambs, from $4@$5 ₱ head. The hog market, for the last week, has been very slow and prices easy. The receipts number 14,649. The market closed on Tuesday at 10¼c.@10¾c. ₱ lb. for the best, live weight.

THE STRIKES IN THE SHIP-YARDS.—The very extensive combination of carpenters, caulkers and others, so far from subsiding appears to be on the increase, and has become a serious matter for consideration by shipbuilders and owners. These latter are not disposed to give way, and a meeting which has just taken place at Boston explains their attitude with tolerable clearness. A statement made by Mr. W. H. WEBB sets forth the fact that the system of espionage upon the movements of new men seeking work is very complete, and that such men are influenced by presents of money to withdraw from their new-formed engagements. We have already spoken of the unreasonable demands of the strikers; at East Boston a vessel has been abandoned by the gravers and caulkers, with no reason whatever, since no terms as to hours of labor or price therefor were dictated by the owners. The point which the combination ought to consider is, how far they will proceed, not in forcing a compliance with their demands, but in turning the shipbuilding into foreign hands, and thus inflicting a permanent injury upon themselves which may never be remedied. The extent ₱ which this trade was diverted into foreign ship-yards by the war is not to be ignored, nor is the fact that the ship-building interest has not yet recovered from its depression during that period to be lost sight of. The carrying trade in American vessels is not brisk now; what will it become if obstructions are placed in its way by the ill-judged measures of the workmen? If these workmen think that they can benefit themselves in the long run by strikes they will find that they have committed a grievous error, and time will show that they will be the greatest sufferers.

WINFIELD SCOTT.

When, some two weeks since, a few friends of Gen. SCOTT escorted him to West Point, they felt that they were officiating, if not as pall-bearers, at least as accompanying the illustrious veteran to a bourne from which he would not return.

Their apprehensions were soon realized. The oldest American General departed, for his final repose, at 7 o'clock yesterday morning. A great man's name now becomes historical. A "bright particular star" has faded out of our firmament.

Though by birth a Virginian, Gen. SCOTT's home, for half a century, has been in New-York and New-Jersey. His services have been devoted, for fifty-eight years, to his country. Of the magnitude and value of these services the reader will be informed in another column. He studied law, but left the practice early, entering the United States Army as a Captain of artillery in 1808. In 1812 he came to the Northern frontier, unsheathing his "maiden sword" at Queenstown in September of that year. He had then attained his full height, but was a "light-weight," with flaxen hair and a youthful appearance.

Gen. SCOTT, distinguished in many ways, was most remarkable for the *alacrity* with which he went to his work. An order was received and obeyed simultaneously. When suddenly called to a distant post he was off before others would have found time to pack their trunks. If his headquarters were not in his saddle he was found in it as soon as duty called. However tried and tested, Gen. SCOTT was a man of true courage. He was physically, morally and religiously brave. He neither shrunk from or seemed to deprecate any danger or any responsibility. He was in manners, association and feeling courtly and chivalrous. Though in all things a just, and in the best sense of the term, an honorable man, yet Gen. SCOTT's temper was exacting, an infirmity which occasioned himself as well as others much uneasiness. He was equally as tenacious about small and large things. He was more jealous of his literary than of his military fame. He would endure criticism in reference to his battles with equanimity, but in matters of taste in literature, or even of punctuation, he could not brook contradiction.

But though while in repose, and in the absence of danger, Gen. SCOTT had his weak points of character; he always rose with the storm, inspiring confidence and courage equal to the danger. He was great on great occasions. Hence in the Black-Hawk war, when our troops were to face the double danger of war and cholera, Gen. SCOTT personally visited and prescribed for the soldiers attacked with the disease, thus preventing a panic among his troops.

Eminent in many ways, Gen. SCOTT's loyalty and patriotism were always conspicuous. For him, therefore, there was no hesitation about the path of duty when the rebellion broke out. The heresies about State Rights and duty to his native State did not embarrass or bewilder him. When prominent old friends from Virginia came to Washington to remonstrate with him upon the enormity of drawing his sword against the Old Dominion, he indignantly frowned them out of his presence. All the friends of the Union regretted when this war commenced, that Gen. SCOTT was not twenty years younger.

In 1840 there was a strong popular movement in favor of Gen. SCOTT for President. New-York and New-Jersey sent delegations to Harrisburgh in favor of his nomination. But the friends of Mr. CLAY, who felt that *he* was wrongfully deprived of the support of New-York, finally turned the scale in favor of Gen. HARRISON. The "fly," as Mr. LINCOLN expressed the idea, "got into his ear and kept buzzing," as it has done in ears of others, long years afterward. In the next canvass the General became a candidate with sanguine hopes of success, though there was no such possibility. But the disappointment increased an irritability originating in other causes.

In 1862, Gen. SCOTT's health required change, and a year in Europe was suggested. He left in the steamer *Arago*, for Havre. When the steamer touched at Southampton, it was ascertained the rebel steamer *Nashville*, just after burning the *Harvey Birch*, lay in that port, and it was reported and supposed that she would follow and attack the *Arago*. This report brought Gen. SCOTT upon deck, tall, erect and alert. Indeed, he seemed quite equal to the action for which he promptly prepared the ship, on board of which were a cannon and twenty-five muskets, with ammunition. But the *Nashville* did not follow us, and the General lost the opportunity of a naval engagement, on which he was most intent.

Within a week after Gen. SCOTT visited Paris came the news of the capture of MASON and SLIDELL, followed by "loud thunder" in France and England, the latter Government preparing promptly for war. These threats of war with England instantly changed the General's plans. In the desire to serve his country he forgot his years and his infirmities, remembering only that his country needed and was entitled to his services. Though he had an audience day with the Emperor fixed, Gen. SCOTT, with the alacrity which always characterized his action, hurried to Havre, and came home in the ship that took him to France.

RECIPROCITY.—The first official statement of the late reciprocity negotiations comes to us in the report of the British Parliamentary debate, received last night, and a portion of which is published in another column this morning. There is nothing particularly new told by the British Under-Secretary of State; but his clear statement of what transpired in the interviews which took place between Mr. SEWARD and Sir FREDERICK BRUCE and the British American Commissioners will show in how frank and friendly a spirit the propositions submitted were discussed, and how thoroughly well disposed all parties were, and are still, to approach in a conciliatory temper the troublesome questions which the termination of the treaty has reopened. Mr. LAYARD's speech will be read with great interest.

Who Would Defeat and Destroy the Union Party?

The *Tribune* would gladly divert attention from its own position by misrepresenting that of the TIMES. Alluding to our remarks upon the injury inflicted upon the Union Party by the course of the Radicals in Congress, and the necessity of more prudent counsels, if the triumph of the Democrats in 1868 is to be prevented, our cotemporary says:

"It is the simple truth that the TIMES despairs of converting the Republican-Union Party to its views, and expects only to draw off from it voters enough to secure the ascendency of its adversaries, who are all vociferous champions of 'the President's policy.' A tenth of the votes cast for LINCOLN in 1864 would, if cast for MCCLELLAN, have secured his election. Take a tithe of its voters away from the Republican-Union Party, transfer them to the Democratic, and you will elect a Copperhead Congress, which will repeal the Test Oath and the Civil Rights Bill, admit the ex-rebels to seats, and consign the Southern blacks to such a future as the white Southrons shall see fit to accord them. Such is the consummation for which the TIMES is assiduously, zealously preparing; why not say what you mean?"

What the *Tribune* means its readers have been distinctly informed. It insists that the Union Party shall adopt a constitutional amendment which will be so malignant to the people that it will "*put the next Congress against us, and so let in seceded States on their own terms.*" These are the words of the *Tribune*, which informs the party that "*on so good a platform it is safe to die, in the full assurance of a glorious resurrection.*" On the *Tribune's* own showing, then, the "consummation" for which it falsely alleges we are "zealously preparing," will result from obstinate adherence to the platform it calls upon the Union Party to adopt. For "if the probability" is that the platform recommended by the *Tribune* will "put the next Congress against us, and let in the seceded States on their own terms," then it follows that the *Tribune*, and not ourselves, must be held to be "assiduously, zealously preparing" for the election of "a Copperhead Congress, which will repeal the test oath and the Civil Rights Bill, admit the ex-rebels to seats, and consign the Southern blacks to such a future as the white Southrons shall see fit to accord them." The *Tribune* cannot escape from this responsibility by hearing false witness against its neighbors. It foresees the result of the election of a Democratic Congress, yet pursues a policy which it declares will render that event all but inevitable. From this dilemma there can be no release.

The difference between the *Tribune* and the TIMES may be succinctly stated. The *Tribune* advocates a policy that will, confessedly, kill the Union Party; the promise of a "glorious resurrection" being held out to reconcile its members to destruction. The TIMES, on the contrary, is endeavoring to the best of its ability to prevent the election of "a Copperhead Congress," by perpetuating the power and usefulness of the Union Party. The *Tribune* calls upon the Union Party to commit suicide, under the belief that it will rise again more glorious than ever. The TIMES tells the party that upon the manner in which it meets the issues and performs the duties of to-day depend all the hopes and chances of the morrow; for the party that wilfully, recklessly, defiantly destroys its own life shall have no resurrection.

If our aim were to "secure the ascendency" of the Democrats in the next Congress, the zealous labor with which we are credited would not be necessary. We should be required simply to await in silence the fruition of the tactics pursued by the Radical section of the Union Party. The explicit admission of the *Tribune* was not needed to convince us that the course marked out by the Radical leaders will undoubtedly "put the next Congress against us;" so that were this result in our judgment desirable, the wisest plan would be to look on patiently and be still. It is because we are not prepared to acquiesce in this, "the consummation" of the Radical policy, that we expose its errors, point out their consequences, and endeavor to induce the adoption of the President's moderate and practical views. It is because the Union Party now has the grandest opportunity ever had by any party to promote the peace and prosperity of the country that we have protested, and yet protest, against the dominancy of those whose malignity, violence, and extravagance have already impaired its usefulness and strength, and threaten, if persisted in, to ensure its overthrow. Far more easy, and, in some respects, far more pleasant would it be to leave Congress to its course, and its members to their constituents. To sail with the *Tribune* on the current of Radicalism, regardless of ultimate annihilation, might be smooth work for the time. But no man who has helped to build up the Union Party, who has shared the trials which preceded its triumph, who appreciates its responsibilities, and would aid in fulfilling them, can remain a passive spectator of the scenes enacted in the House of Representatives, or of the rain amidst which the co-workers of the *Tribune* invite the party to lay down its life. "Assiduous, zealous preparation" for a struggle outside of Congress was never more loudly called for than at this moment; and he is the truest friend of the Union Party who most determinedly dwells upon the dangers of the situation.

Whatever the Radicals in the House, with the assistance of their Copperhead allies, may succeed in doing, or in preventing the Conservative Republicans from doing, during the remainder of the session, it is satisfactory to know that a court of appeal exists whose decision may be looked forward to with confidence. The rank and file of the Union Party in the country are not extremists. They have no sympathy with the horrible bitterness and daring unconstitutionality that would crush the Southern people as alien enemies, and rob the Republic of its most valued safeguards. They hold that GRANT and his captains settled the question of the rebellion, and that the restoration of the Union should be perfected speedily as possible. They recognize the patriotism of the President's career, the sagacity of his measures, the righteousness of the ends at which he aims, and they have no liking for the temper or the tactics of the men who have arrayed a majority of Congress against him, and raised up divisions from which the Union Party now suffers. The appeal is to the Union Party as a whole, and against the Radical leaders who usurp control, and threaten destruction if their pretensions be not acknowledged. The decision will be heard in due season. Meanwhile the *Tribune's* revelation will no doubt be discussed and pondered with a freedom befitting its importance. For our own part, we have no idea that to gratify a few extremists the Union Party will consent to commit suicide, with not the smallest chance of a "resurrection."

MR. MCGEE AND THE FENIANS.—We make the following extract from a letter addressed by Hon. THOMAS D'ARCY MCGEE, Minister of Agriculture in Canada, to a friend in this City. Mr. MCGEE's opinions on the subject of Fenianism are not unknown to our readers. It may be interesting to some of them, however, to know how the latest development of the organization impresses itself upon the mind of a gentleman who has had, in his day, some aspirations for the independence of Ireland. We commend Mr. MCGEE's observations to the Sweeny branch of the society:

"——We have almost ceased to take an interest in those redoubtable heroes, the Fenians. The only thing we hear of them now-a-days is, that the Custom-house officers along the line are making 'a good thing' out of the Roberts and Sweeny consignments of arms to frontier ports. It would be a characteristic *denouement* of the whole farce, if the arms seized should be sold by Mr. MCCULLOCH's order, at auction, at Rouse's Point, Oswego, Erie, &c., and if they are, the Canadians should *buy them in!*

One does not wonder so much at the abject ignorance of the social, political and military condition of Canada exhibited by Gen. SWEENY, his Senate and staff, as at their geographical ignorance of this country, which would shame a schoolboy of ten years old. Why, if they had Montreal and Quebec both, they would still be, at the former over 500, and at the latter over 900 miles, inland from the Atlantic. And if they ever got as far East as the Gulf, they might as well, like old Virgilius in the legend, jump into a bottle and give England the cork. Every one knows the Gulf to be a closed sea with two narrow outlets, the gut of Canso and the Strait of Belleisle, which a single ship-of-war for each could *cork* up hermetically. If Mr. SWEENY was there, he would be precisely where Admiral HOOD would like to have him. And this is what these blockheads call "making a base against England!"—going seven hundred miles inland from the Atlantic to find a base against an essentially Atlantic power! Poor foolish KILLIAN at least had a vivid idea of what to do, though he came to grief instead of Campo Bello. But I greatly doubt if any of the other set ever had an idea, wild or tame.

I see you have got a new Irish lion in Mr. STEPHENS. I remember seeing him once in Kilkenny in 1847 or '8—a very young man, as, indeed, I was myself. He was the son, I think, of an auctioneer's clerk in that song-celebrated city, and was even then looked upon as a more than usually promising youngster by Dr. ROBERT CANE and other local celebrities. I am heartily glad he has come out, for if his mind be of the practical cast attributed to it—if he is really earnest and honest—the New-York factions will cure him of Fenianism within six months."

WAR CLOUDS IN EUROPE.—They are now daily enjoying the same sort of contradictory sensational dispatches in the capitals of Europe that we suffered from in this country in the early days of the late war. All sorts of stories are set afloat hourly, and nobody knows what to believe about anything. Paris is, of course, the headquarters for these *canards*. One of the Parisian papers says that in the morning Hanover is embroiled with Prussia, and at night the two Powers are on the best terms; at ten minutes past 5, there are propositions of peace, and five minutes past ten, there are two battles in progress; one day the Powers are disarming, only to arm the next; at one moment a plenipotentiary has arrived from Vienna at Berlin on a highly important mission, but presently it is discovered no one has set out on any mission at all. And so story succeeds tale, fable follows fancy, fiction follows falsehood; and each in turn is contradicted only to reappear in modified forms. The French and English papers used to ridicule and rail at us for the unreliability of American news in war times, but they are now outdoing us in this very matter.

THE SOUTHERN PRESS.—If the people of the South knew the damage done them by the rabid newspapers which they support, as we know it here, they would very quickly compel them to change their tone. In a political point of view, these papers are in a large measure responsible for the treatment the Southern States are receiving at the hands of Congress. But they also prevent the South from obtaining those means of development which she so greatly needs. They prevent the flow of capital required in her cotton fields, in her manufactories and workshops, by her merchants and traders, by her railroads and steamboat lines, for her public improvements and the service of the State. They hinder Northern travel and interdourse, and prevent the flow of labor and emigration. They stimulate a malignant spirit in the South, and create a like spirit in the North. They discourage those who are the true friends of the Southern people, and who are laboring to secure them justice. On the other hand, we can see no good end they serve in any direction—political, moral or material. We do not desire a subservient spirit on the part of either the Southern Press or people; but we desire to see the malicious disturbers of the National peace brought to their wits by the force of Southern public sentiment.

THE NEW FENIAN FOOLERY.—The Fenians of the Roberts-Sweeny stripe are again making loud threats of an immediate movement upon Canada. To all this the C. O. F. B. STEPHENS is inflexibly opposed, but the opposite faction will not listen to his advice. We suppose this pretence will serve to bring a little more money into the Roberts Treasury, which of late has been suffering from diminished receipts.

We are astonished that Gen. SWEENY, whose reputation is that of a courageous soldier and an honest man, continues to lend his name and influence to the knavish schemes of the Canada-war faction. He himself will not deny that he has rascally associates, and we assure him that their selfish and mercenary projects would speedily collapse if he were to withdraw his countenance from them.

THE SCOURGE.—We have another practical intimation to-day that we shall not escape the cholera pestilence. Another British steamer has arrived at Quarantine with 434 passengers, and a death record of thirty during a passage of 16½ days. All this ought to admonish us to be well prepared.

WHEAT.—The following instructive fact, stated by Mr. LAWRENCE, author of *Guy Livingstone*, in his recently published novel, *Sans Merci*, must, it is believed, be useful to a class of whist-players, for whom, without reformation, the fate of "eleven thousand Englishmen" is reserved!

"It has been computed," he said very slowly, "that eleven thousand Englishman, heirs to fair fortunes, are wandering about the continent in a state of utter destitution because they would not lead trumps with five and an honor in their hands."

THREE DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE

The Persia at this Port and the St. David at Father Point.

Debate in the British Parliament on the Reciprocity Treaty.

Its Influence on the Political Relations of the United States and England.

THE GERMAN WAR QUESTION.

Probable Meeting of an European Congress.

Semi-Official Announcement of Napoleon's Policy.

Vague Rumors of an Outbreak of Hostilities.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

The steamship *St. David* from Liverpool May 17, *via* Londonderry May 18, passed Father Point yesterday *en route* to Quebec.

The Royal mail steamship *Persia*, Capt. LOTT, which left Liverpool at 11 o'clock on the morning of the 19th, and Queenstown on the evening of the 20th May, arrived here last evening.

The *Erin* reached Liverpool on the evening of the 17th of May.

The steamer *Denmark*, which left Liverpool on the 9th of May for New-York, was off Crookhaven on the 18th, putting back, having lost her propeller. Two steamtugs had left Liverpool to assist her.

The British House of Lords had been engaged upon a bill to check Sunday trading among the lower classes in London. It met with much opposition, but was finally adopted by a majority of one.

In the House of Commons, on the 17th, Mr. GLADSTONE replied to some inquiries as to alleged refusals by the Bank of England to afford accommodation to bankers and merchants on Government securities. He quoted figures from the Bank returns to show how liberal had been the accommodation granted, and how groundless was any complaint that had been made.

The bill in regard to the tenure and improvement of land by tenants in Ireland was debated, but no action was taken.

On the 18th, in the House of Commons, Mr. LAYARD, in response to an inquiry, said that the official dispatch of Commodore BOGERS, on the bombardment of Valparaiso, was entirely inconsistent with the statement made by Admiral DENMAN. He stated that the conduct of the British Minister to Chili was approved of by the British Government.

In response to a requisition signed by many eminent merchants, the Lord Mayor of London had called a public meeting at the Mansion House for the 24th of May, to take steps for the erection of a statue in London in honor of GEORGE PEABODY.

Notwithstanding recent rumors, the *Morning Post* says the marriage of Princess HELENA with Prince CHRISTIAN will take place on the 5th of July.

The race for "the Oaks" was won by *Tormentor*. *Hirella* was second and *Fickle* third.

Nothing authentic had transpired in regard to the alleged negotiations for a conference. Notwithstanding denials from some quarters, the general opinion appears to be that active efforts were in progress to bring about such a meeting.

The situation of affairs in general remains without change. The negotiations between Austria and Prussia are finally stated to have led to no result.

Another London bank, the European, suspended to-day. The liabilities are reported heavy. Its liabilities are estimated at one million sterling.

Funds and securities are generally dull and lower, closing flat. There are rumors of additional suspensions in commercial circles. It is generally stated that BOULT, ENGLISH & BRANDON, of Liverpool, will show ample assets, and pay twenty shillings in the pound.

RECIPROCITY.

Debate in the British House of Commons on the Termination of the Reciprocity Treaty—Its Commercial and Political Bearings.

In the House of Commons, on the 18th inst., Mr. WATKIN called attention to the termination of the Reciprocity Treaty. He stated that this question had recently gained additional interest, from the fact that a large fleet, including the best iron-clad in their service, had been sent by the United States to the fishing-grounds, where differences had existed between the American and British fishermen. There were also other complicated questions of international trouble which presented difficulty. The indifference Her Majesty's Government had shown to the interests of the colonies in this matter had given rise to an opinion in America that their country would not care for the annexation of the British Provinces to the United States.

Mr. LAYARD, Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, said, in reply, that if Mr. WATKIN had desired to bring about a misunderstanding with the United States, he could not have made a speech better adapted for that purpose than that which he had delivered. He could say that this question had been considered and dealt with by Her Majesty's Government as one of great importance. The Reciprocity Treaty had effected a large increase of the trade of the British Provinces, and the advantages had been even greater to the United States. He went on to say:

But great as had been the commercial advantages of the treaty, its political advantages had been still less considerable. For a period of forty years questions of a most irritating nature had constantly arisen in reference to the fishing, and had it not been for the prudence of the two Governments, and that of the officers who were sent to the fishing-grounds, misunderstandings of a very grave nature must have ensued. But for the eleven years during which the treaty was in existence not a single irritating question nor cause of misunderstanding arose on those questions. It was evident, therefore, that the strongest inducements existed on the side of Her Majesty's Government to have the treaty prolonged. His honorable friend had argued the case as if Her Majesty's Government had the power of negotiation; but they had nothing to negotiate—the treaty was in existence, and they did not wish it to be brought to an end. All they wanted was that it should be allowed to remain international law between the two countries. Of course, it was open to the United States to put an end to it if they thought proper to do so, and they did think proper to do so. His honorable friend seemed to forget that there was no power of negotiation on the subject vested in the Government of the United States. Mr. BUCHANAN and Lord CLARENDON had no power to negotiate with Her Majesty's Government, and, therefore, the whole of his honorable friend's argument on that point came to an end. The question of bringing the treaty to an end did not lie with the Executive, but with Congress. If his honorable friend turned to the papers he would find that the notice to abrogate the treaty was given by Mr. SEWARD as Secretary of State to Lord LYONS, at the President, but was given by Mr. SEWARD as the organ of Congress. The notice was in pursuance of this resolution:

Resolved by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That notice be given of the termination of the Reciprocity Treaty, agreed to by the United States in pursuance of the act to carry into effect, &c., the termination of the same; and the President of the United States is hereby charged with the communication of such notice to the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland.

That being the state of the case, the question arose whether Her Majesty's Government could have brought about such a change of opinion among the members of Congress as would have induced that body to alter their policy with respect to the Reciprocity Treaty. On that point he was entirely at issue with his honorable friend. As to his suggestion that a resolution of the House of Commons in favor of continuing the treaty might have been obtained by the Government, he would ask his honorable friend to reverse the case, and to suppose that the House of Commons had resolved to put an end to the treaty. What would have been the effect of a resolution of Congress asking the House of Commons to renew a treaty which it had determined to put an end to? His honorable friend used one of the most extraordinary arguments he had ever heard. He said there were a strong party in the United States who were very anxious for the annexation of our North American colonies to that country, and that they looked upon the Reciprocity Treaty as an obstacle to their designs. Did not he (Mr. WATKIN) see that he could not have quoted a weightier expression of opinion as influencing Congress than he had done when he mentioned that fact? There was a great difference of opinion as between the Eastern States and the Western; and while it was true that large meetings in favor of the continuance of the treaty had been held in the United States, it was equally true that quite as large meetings had been held there in favor of putting an end to it. A number of influential Chambers of Commerce had agreed to resolutions in favor of the retention of the Reciprocity Treaty, and at Detroit Convention 500 delegates from the United States, and 60 from the British colonies were present. Mr. HOWE made a most able and eloquent speech, in which the whole question was discussed from first to last, and resolutions in favor of the treaty were passed; but notwithstanding this expression of opinion, coming from those weighty bodies, there was on the other hand an expression of public feeling which bore, then consequently, Mr. SEWARD and Congress adhered to its resolution. Mr. SEWARD last year expressed to Mr. CHASE, d'Affires his willingness to take into consideration the question of a Reciprocity Treaty, and when Sir FREDERICK BRUCE went to Washington as our Minister he was instructed to say that Her Majesty's Government were prepared to treat on the subject with the Government of the United States. But on his arrival he found that, owing to the state of feeling it would not only be inexpedient but almost impossible to open negotiations. Mr. LINCOLN had recently been assassinated; Mr. SEWARD was himself ill; and there was a strong feeling in

and this was now likely to be the case, since nothing could be more friendly and conciliatory than the course pursued by the United States with regard to the fisheries. He regarded the stoppage of the trade between the United States and our colonies as a disaster to both countries. It was not in the power of Her Majesty's Government to force the trade upon the United States, and they were therefore compelled to leave the matter to the public opinion in that country, where the benefit they derived from the vast trade from our colonies would soon be discovered, and before very long would induce the United States' Government to put an end to the restrictions which were so much to be deplored.

After some further discussion, in the course of which the Chancellor of the Exchequer explained that the conduct of the matter was in the hands of a commission, and would not be interfered with by the Government, the subject was dropped.

THE GERMAN QUESTION.

The Armaments of Austria and Prussia—Peace Meetings in Prussia.

Correspondence of the London Times.

BERLIN, Tuesday, May 15, 1866.

Rapidly as the armaments are now progressing on either side, the Austrian as well as the Prussian Generals have hardly begun to concentrate their forces, and prepare against the immediate contingency of an attack or defence. I have been assured by a military authority that, as matters stand to-day, it would be impracticable for either Government to commence hostilities with anything like an adequate force in less than a fortnight. If the greatest dispatch be used, the first shot, he tells me, might perhaps be fired between the 4th and 10th of June; but, as the movements of large bodies of men are hardly ever effected without the intervention of some untoward delay, he does not believe that the actual conflict can possibly take place before the 15th or 20th. This interval required by strategy offers new advantages for the pacific endeavors of diplomacy.

All over Brussels the peace meetings recommence. Having been originally directed against Count BISMARK and his bellicose policy, they were suspended when it appeared that it was not he, but Count MENSDORFF, who refused to disarm; but now the imminent danger of war has revived them and raised the tone of their demands. Three weeks ago people insisted upon the reserves being disbanded, and all the annexational propensities renounced with regard to Holstein. Now that these concessions have not tranquilized Austria, and the cry of indignation at her growing demands is over, the cry is raised for the dismissal of BISMARK and a radical change of Prussian policy. The meetings held during the last two days at Bonn, Cologne, Konigsberg, Berlin, &c., have proved that the wish for peace predominates over every other feeling. We shall soon hear that the people will not allow themselves to become the helpless instruments of a despotic annexation policy, and that the only way out of the difficulty is to recognize the Duke of AUGUSTENBURG immediately, and make peace with Kaiser and Bund alike.

The Policy of the Emperor of France.

From the Paris Moniteur du Soir, May 16.

The motion made by Saxony at the Federal Diet has had no other effect than that of once more showing the profound disquiet which prevails in the relations between the German States. The Dresden Cabinet requested from Prussia a declaration implying an engagement on the part of that Power to conform to the stipulation of the Federal Pact. The Prussian Envoy replied again, representing the armaments of the Government as purely defensive, and throwing upon Austria the responsibility of the preparations for war. He added that the Berlin Cabinet placed the security of Prussia and her European position above her relations with the Germanic Confederation, thus leaving to be inferred the possibility of a rupture of the ties attaching Prussia to Germany.

On the other hand, the most extensive development is given to military measures in Austria and Prussia, and all the States of the Confederation follow the example of those great Powers.

From her vote in favor of the Saxon motion the armaments of Hanover have a significance at which Prussia has testified great surprise. Previous to the explanations which have just been exchanged between the two Courts, it was at one time feared that this incident might be the signal for serious measures on the part of the Prussian Government.

Nevertheless the hopes of peace have *rather revived than diminished.* As several journals have announced, *the French Cabinet is directing its efforts, in concert with England and Russia, in order to effect the opening of diplomatic conferences* to which the questions now threatening the peace of Europe would be referred. These endeavors *attest the thorough sincerity of the pacific disposition of His Majesty's Government,* which loyally devotes the liberty of action it had reserved to prevent the outbreak of an armed conflict.

The Proposed Congress—Details Respecting the Negotiations—The Probable Programme.

From the Independance Belge, May 18.

We are now in a position to give further details respecting the negotiations for the proposed Congress. Its programme will embody three propositions:

First—That the Schleswig-Holstein question be submitted to the decision of the inhabitants.

Second—That the proposal presented by Prussia for a reform of the Federal Constitution be examined, in as far as it may relate to the equilibrium of Europe.

Third—That Venetia be ceded to Italy for a certain compensation, Italy guaranteeing and recognizing the temporal sovereignty of the Pope within its present limits. The antagonistic Powers will maintain their armaments during the sittings of the Congress. France, England and Russia will propose that all pending questions shall be discussed, including the Italian question. To this it is probable that Prussia will agree, but Austria's adhesion is considered very doubtful.

A telegram from Paris, published by the *Nord* of the 18th, asserts that Austria, Prussia and Italy have not yet given to their consent to the assembling of a Congress.

Various Rumors Concerning the Congress.

A Berlin telegram to the *Morning Post* says:

"France is said to make her acceptance of a Congress dependent upon the condition of a Franco-English armed mediation in the provision that the Congress should lead to no result. England has not yet accepted this condition."

The Paris *Patrie* of the 17th says: "Baron BUDBERG, Earl COWLEY and M. DROUIN DE LHUYS have settled the basis of the programme of a conference. This programme definitely includes but three questions, Venetia, Schleswig-Holstein and Federal reform. M. DROUIN DE LHUYS has been intrusted with the task of drawing up a dispatch, which will be submitted this week to Baron BUDBERG and Earl COWLEY, and will then be forwarded to the Courts of Vienna, Berlin and Florence."

The plan for the assembly of a Congress submitted to the Vienna Cabinet by Count MULNIEK, with the concurrence of France, is said to have been decisively rejected by the Austrian Government.

In the British House of Lords on the 18th, the Earl of Clarendon stated that official and confidential communications were at present in progress with the view of forming a European Congress. He was careful not to term them negotiations, but he intimated that he could not hold out a hope that they would terminate in peace, although England would do her best to bring about such a result.

A London dispatch of May 25 says: "Reports concerning the European Congress are conflicting. It is said that Austria has refused to join. No direct negotiation has as as yet been addressed to the Courts of Berlin, Vienna and Florence."

Opposition to War in Prussia.

A letter from Berlin in the Cologne *Gazette* says:

"From all quarters we receive news of riots and disorders, more or less serious, which have been occasioned by the calling out of men and soldiers, and to put down which it had in many places been necessary to employ the military. This is to be regretted; but it is certain that a general mobilization which is not supported by the warlike enthusiasm of the people is a calamity for the country. Absence of enthusiasm is the very mildest form of expression for the feeling which prevails in the capital and the provinces. One may say, without exaggeration, that the prevalent sentiment in Berlin is sombre and sorrowful. The rumors of a total change in the policy of the Ministry, which are circulating, signify merely that the people believe what they desire."

LATEST DISPATCHES.

Austria—Field Marshal Benedek's First Order of the Day.

Field Marshal BENEDEK, Commander-in-Chief of the Northern Army of Austria, has issued the first order of the day to his soldiers. The order is dated May 12, from temporary head-quarters, in Vienna. In fervent words he expresses confidence in the army, and in the justice of the Austrian cause.

The order bears throughout a decidedly defensive tone. No time is mentioned for the commencement of war, but the order says arms have been got ready for defence and to combat every enemy who threatens the Emperor and the country.

A Vienna dispatch of the 17th says: "Intelligence continues to be received here of military preparations and of the adoption of loyal addresses to the Emperor by the inhabitants of different towns of Austria. In view of the imminence of war, the Government are said to be deliberating upon a plan for summoning to Vienna delegates from all the Provincial Diets to constitute an united assembly representing the entire monarchy.

As regards the attitude of the Middle States, it is said that they have expressed a desire that Austria shall declare herself to be no longer bound by the Gastine Convention. Their active cooperation with Austria cannot be expected until such a declaration shall have been made. The Ministers of the Middle States who met recently at Bamberg, are said to have resolved upon a policy of armed neutrality.

A rumor has been current here that Austria had withdrawn part of her forces from Venetia. This rumor is unfounded. There are 200,000 Austrian troops in Venetia, all upon a war footing, and the military preparations in that province are being prosecuted with great vigor.

A Berlin telegram of May 17, says: "Intelligence from the frontiers announces that the Austrian troops, which were not to be fully equipped until their arrival on the frontier, have not received their ammunition trains."

Prussia.

A Berlin telegram of the 17th says: "The King held a military conference this morning with the Minister of War and several generals. The Prussian Cabinet has received reassuring declarations from the Hanoverian Government. The latter offers to observe an armed neutrality. The Grand Duke of MECKLENBURG-SCHWERIN has signified his willingness to accept a command in the Prussian Army in case of war with Austria.

The King, it is believed, has signed a decree appointing the Crown Prince to the regency in the event of the outbreak of war or of the King's departure from Berlin.

The increasing probability of the assembling of a Congress is exercising a tranquilizing influence upon the public mind. The armaments, however, has not been relaxed, and the concentration of troops is proceeding with perfect regularity. In military circles but little weight is attached to the news respecting the proposed Congress.

In Court circles the Ministerial Conference at Bamberg is said to have produced a somewhat favorable impression.

It is said that Baden and Bavaria, as well as Hanover and Hesse-Cassel, have decided to observe neutrality, confining themselves to an armed protection of their frontiers.

The relations between the Russian and Prussian Sovereigns continue to be of a personal cordial nature.

A Berlin dispatch of the 16th says: "The Prussian Government has demanded satisfaction from the Cabinet of Vienna for violation of the frontier at Klingenbeutel, where an Austrian patrol stopped and questioned the Prussian customs official.

Prince FREDERICK CHARLES, whose appointment to a high command has already been announced, has been placed at the head of the First Saxon Army Corps. An army corps is being organized for Silesia, and it is believed that the King will proceed thither on the outbreak of hostilities, accompanied by the Minister of War. His Majesty received to-day the Crown Prince, and it is stated that the latter will receive the command of the Fifth and Sixth Corps d'Armee.

The Grand Duke William of Mecklenburg, STRELITZ, left this morning for Sevaw, it is said to assume the command of the vanguard. The Grand Duke of Mecklenburg, SCHWERIN, will, in the event of war, place his troops, consisting of one division, at the disposal of Prussia, and will himself accept a more important command in the Prussian army.

The division commanders of the Prussian infantry regiments have already been appointed, but not those of the cavalry regiments. Three army corps, numbering 90,000 men, are believed to be concentrated upon the Saxon frontier.

Italy.

The official decree issued at Florence states that the twenty volunteer battalions will form ten regiments, and wear the Garibaldian red shirt and cap.

The Italian press was prohibited from publishing intelligence of military movements.

The Chamber of Deputies at Florence, after a long debate and in spite of the opposition of the Minister of Finance, agreed to the proposition for a tax upon Italian Rentes, by a vote of 145 to 141. The Minister of Finance thereupon tendered his resignation.

The following is the letter in which GARIBALDI accepts the command of the volunteers:

CAPRERA, May 11.

M. LE MINISTRE: I accept with true gratitude the disposition which you have taken and His Majesty has sanctioned relative to the volunteer corps. I am thankful to you for the trust you manifest in me in giving me the command, and you will be good enough to express to the King my sentiments. I hope soon to cooperate with our glorious army in accomplishing the destinies of the country. I thank you for your courtesy in making this communication to me.

Accept, &c., G. GARIBALDI.

The correspondent of the *Daily News*, at Florence, says the general impression throughout Italy is that war has now become absolutely necessary to the national existence. The alternative is foreign war or civil war.

Preparations in Venetia.

A London dispatch of May 20, says:

"Active preparations continue in Venetia. Twenty battalions of volunteers have been formed in Italy, and it is believed that more will be formed in consequence of the large number of enlistments."

The Diet at Frankfort.

At the setting of the Frankfort Diet on May 19, the Ministers of the Middle States, represented at the Bamberg Conference, moved that the Diet should request the members of the Confederation taking military measures to declare whether and upon what conditions they would be willing to order a reduction of their military establishments to a peace footing simultaneously.

The Imminence of Hostilities.

The latest vague rumors from Paris state that hostilities had almost commenced.

GENERAL NEWS.

France.

The weekly returns of the Bank of France show a decrease in the cash in hand of over five and a half millions of francs.

The cashier of the Bons-Comptier had been arrested on a charge of embezzlement. His defalcations amount to 3,500,000 francs.

The Bourse on the 18th was heavy. Rentes closed at 68.95.

In the Corps Legislatif M. GARNIER PAGES expressed his regret that no opportunity was offered for protecting the Chamber against the bombardment of Valparaiso.

The Austrian Volunteers for Mexico.

A Trieste telegram of the 18th says: "The naval authorities at this port have refused the vessels intended to convey volunteers to Mexico the clean bill of health for Tampico, without which no ship is allowed to leave the harbor."

India and China.

BOMBAY, Friday, May 11.

COTTON depressed; export of the week, 27,000 bales. EXCHANGE, 2s. 1⅝d.

CALCUTTA, Thursday, May 10.

EXCHANGE, 2s. 1⅝d.; FREIGHTS, 27s. 6d. Rate of discount reduced 1 per cent.

HONG KONG, Thursday, April 26.

TEA unchanged. EXCHANGE, 4s. 7¼d.

SHANGHAE, Friday, April 20.

TEA inactive. SILK firm. EXCHANGE, 4s. 4¾d. FREIGHTS, £4.

Turkey.

It was rumored that a sanguinary conflict had taken place between the Turkish and Moldavian troops.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

LONDON MONEY MARKET.

The weekly return of the Bank of England was the most extraordinary ever published. Although the Bank had not availed itself of the privilege granted by the suspension of the Bank Charter Act, the figures in the statement exhibit unprecedently violent changes. The decrease in the bullion was £982,326, and the notes unemployed £4,218,000.

The *Daily News* in its City Article says: "An analysis of the Bank returns show an increase in one week of £10,000,000 in the advances on private securities. This unprecedented amount proves how enormous has been the pressure for accommodation on the part of the panic-stricken community. Inasmuch, however, as a great deal of this borrowing was merely precautionary, £5,000,000 have been added to the private deposits, and the increase of £3,776,000 in the circulation, results mainly from the desire of country bankers to secure themselves against all contingencies and the notes withdrawn are not really thrown into circulation, but are for the most part hoarded. The reserve of notes is reduced to £26,000, so that it is quite within the power of any one of the great joint stock banks, by withdrawing its cash deposits, to force the Bank of England to avail itself of the authority contained in the recent Treasury Letter. There seems to be now a fair prospect that the Bank will be able to tide over the crisis without violating the law. The £32,000,000 of coin and bullion withdrawn must have been taken away chiefly by provincial Scotch and Irish banks as a measure of precaution."

Some additional suspensions are reported, including the Oriental Commercial Bank, the New-Zealand Banking Corporation, and Messrs. FRANCIS & CO., Indian cotton merchants, &c.

On the 18th the tone of affairs in the London market was favorable. Consols were firmer, closing at 87⅛@87¼.

Money was in better supply, and first-class bills were in some instances taken at 6% % cent.

AMERICAN SECURITIES.—ERIES BROTHERS say 5-20s have advanced to 70@72 under extensive purchases for the United States. In other stocks no change; quotations nominal.

LIVERPOOL MARKETS.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday, May 19—A. M.

COTTON.—The Brokers' Circular reports: "The Cotton market, which had recently declined to a comparatively low point, has not been so much affected by the monetary crisis as might have been expected. Notwithstanding the large stock in this port, trade in the manufacturing districts is known to be in a satisfactory condition, and consumers here, as well as on the continent, are barely stocked with the raw material. Upon the announcement of the heavy failures in London and advance of the Bank rate to 9 per cent on Friday, great uncertainty became evident in this week not relieved until Saturday, when the relaxation of the Bank Act was sanctioned, which induced an active demand, more particularly from consumers, holders not offering their stocks so freely, and on the first day of business the 10th inst. prices of Thursday. Subsequently, notwithstanding the further advance of the Bank rate to 10 per cent, the demand continued full at the quotations of Saturday, when the sales were almost entirely confined to the supply of immediate wants, and the market closed heavily. American continues in good demand, and after occasional fluctuations closes at last week's quotations. Yesterday about 4d lower, and Surats have declined about ½d per lb.

Trade at Manchester was dull and business could only be done at prices about ½d per lb. below those of last week.

BREADSTUFFS.—Messrs. RICHARDSON, SPENCE & Co. and others report a dull market coming to the financial crisis. Wheat quiet and unchanged. Spring, 10s. 2d. and about 2s. lower. Red, 10s. 6d. Corn 2s. 6d. lower. Winter Red Wheat 9s. 2d.@10s. 2d. 9 @ 10 Bs. Mixed Corn 28s. 6d. 29 @ 30 Bs.

PROVISIONS.—Messrs. ENGLAND, ATKIN & Co. and GORDON, DRAPER & Co. report Beef dull and tending downwards. Pork very slow of sale and easier. Bacon, cured and about 2s. lower. Lard 1s. 6d. dearer. American No. 6, 71s. Cheese steady. Tallow lower; Butchers' Association 4d.

The sales of the week add up 69,670 bales, including 4,160 on speculation and 4,980 for export. The official quotations are:

	Fair.	Middling.
New-Orleans	16d.	13½d.
Mobile	15d.	13d.
Uplands	14½d.	12½d.

Yesterday (Friday) the market was quiet, but generally steady. Sales about 6,000 bales.

The stock on hand is estimated at 970,000 bales, including 630,000 American; 75,000 from India; 200,000 bales.

LIVERPOOL.—The Brokers' Circular reports: Ashes dull; sales of Pots at 33s. 9d. down to 32s. 3d; Pearls inactive at 37s. Sugar generally steady. Coffee very quiet. Rice unchanged. Pork—sales of Philadelphia at 74s. and Baltimore (all fresh) at 68. 9d. Lard dull and lower. Clover Seed—sales of American Red at 38s. Palm Oil declined 20s. per ton. Sperm Oil—small sales at £112. Linseed Oil steady. Rosin—Common but unchanged. Spirits of Turpentine very quiet; Wyman's 38. 6d. Petroleum inactive; Refined 2s.; Spirits 1s. Linseed Cakes easier.

LONDON MARKETS.

Messrs. BARING BROS. report: BREADSTUFFS steady at late rates. IRON quiet; Bars and Rails, £6 @10 5s.; Scotch Pig, 52s. 6d. SUGAR quiet, 6d. lower. COFFEE dull. RICE very quiet. TEA dull; Congou, 1s. 1d. SPIRITS TURPENTINE, 6s. Refined PETROLEUM, 2s. Wyd. TALLOW declined to 44s. 3d. SPERM OIL quiet at £112. £112. LINSEED OIL, 32s. 6d. LINSEED CAKE, 10s. 6d. LINSEED CAKE quiet, and prices barely maintained.

Latest Commercial.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday Evening, May 19.

COTTON.—Sales to-day, 8,000 bales. The market is dull, with little inquiry and weak prices. Middling Uplands are quoted about 12¾d.

BREADSTUFFS.—The market is quiet and steady.

PROVISIONS.—The market is dull; Tallow is still declining.

LONDON, Saturday Evening, May 19.

Consols close at 87 @87¼ for money.

AMERICAN SECURITIES.—United States Five-Twenties, 69@69½; Illinois Central Railroad, 90@97; Erie Railroad, 61@63.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Meeting of Ship-owners in Boston—The Extensive Combinations Among Workmen—The Right Hour System—The Coercion Action of the Workers.

BOSTON, Tuesday, May 29.

A large meeting of ship-owners and business men was held to-day in the Board of Trade Rooms, in reference to the strike of the workmen.

WILLIAM ROPES was chosen Chairman, and NATHAN CROWELL and JAMES QUEEN Secretaries.

Mr. ROPES, on taking the chair, said that the business before the meeting was most important. Had there been a common agreement between the merchants and the workmen, some arrangement might have been easily made; but the combination of the workmen having assumed formidable and colossal proportions, it becomes an important affair, requiring great caution in its treatment. The evidence of the universality of this combination would, he thought, surprise the meeting, and he recommended kindness and forbearance in the matter to prevent a widening of the breach, especially desiring that nothing of an irritating nature should be uttered during the proceedings.

By request of ALPHEUS HARDY, a call was read, signed by numerous prominent shipowners and merchants of New-York, for a meeting to take action in reference to the proceedings of workmen on ships in that city.

Mr. WILLIAM B. WEBB, of New-York, then addressed the meeting, briefly giving the history, the origin and extent of the combination of caulkers, shipjoiners and other workmen in his City, adding that they received help from other and distant places, and also from similar combinations of hatters and other trades. No correct idea of the universality of the combination could be formed by gentlemen who had not investigated the matter, and although there were workmen who applied almost daily for work, such was the watch kept on their movements by the members of the combination that they were paid money and prevented from working at all. No one could calculate what the final result of this extensive combination would be; but he felt certain that unless prompt measures were adopted to stay its progress it would soon extend to other and perhaps to all branches of business, and eventually, perhaps, to agriculture itself. He closed his remarks by expressing the hope that the shipowners and merchants of Boston would cooperate with those of New-York in the protection of their interests, and if this was promptly done he felt safe in saying that Philadelphia and other places would soon follow.

GEORGE B. UPTON presented the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, Representations are made to the merchants and shipowners of this port, that the ship *Archer* is now lying in a dock at East Boston, where she has remained for one week, and that the gravers and caulkers, who usually do the work upon vessels under similar circumstances, decline to work upon this ship; therefore,

Resolved, That a refusal to work under such circumstances, when no dispute has been attempted as to the number of hours which shall constitute a day's work and no dispute as to the price which shall be paid per day for the labor, is, in the opinion of this meeting, a proceeding which cannot and ought not to be sanctioned, and one which no circumstance can justify or approve.

Resolved, That the relations between capital and labor, between the employer and employed, are mutual, and any combinations upon the one side or the other which, through coercion, shall attempt to interfere with such arrangements is unwise, and therefore to be avoided.

Resolved, That in case there is not an immediate return to the ordinary and usual course of labor upon the ship *Archer*, we, the merchants and ship-owners in this meeting assembled, recommend to the owners of the docks and railways, steam tugs, &c., and that no more vessels be taken up thereon until further action be had at an adjourned meeting of this body, to be called by the Chairman.

The resolutions were unanimously adopted, and the meeting adjourned, to assemble in ten days.

Adjournment of the Legislature.

BOSTON, Tuesday, May 29.

The Legislature has finished all its business, and will adjourn to-morrow, after a session of 149 days. The friends of the European and North American Railway got another bill into the Senate, being the third that had been before the Legislature, which proposed to loan the credit of the State to the enterprise to the amount of one million dollars; but this was also killed in the House of Representatives to-day.

RHODE ISLAND.

Opening of the State Legislature—Gen. Burnside Proclaimed Governor—Enthusiastic Demonstrations—The State Militia Present.

NEWPORT, R. I., Tuesday, March 29.

The Rhode Island General Assembly met here to-day to inaugurate the Government for the ensuing year.

In honor of Gen. BURNSIDE, the Governor elect, there is an universal demonstration. Nearly all the militia of the State are in line. The town is full of visitors, and the ancient election ceremonies are being observed with due pomp.

The Senate has elected SUMNER U. SHEARMAN Clerk.

The House has elected Gen C. C. VAN ZANT Speaker, and JOHN TURNER and FRANCIS A. DANIELS Clerks.

When both Houses had completed the election of their officers, a proclamation was made from the balcony of the State House, amid the thunder of artillery, that AMBROSE E. BURNSIDE had been elected Governor and Captain-General of the State of Rhode Island for the year ensuing.

The announcement was received with loud cheers by the thousands assembled around the State House.

TENNESSEE.

The Case of Isham Henderson—Adjournment of the Legislature.

NASHVILLE, Monday, May 28.

In the case of ISHAM HENDERSON, forty-three depositions of prominent citizens of Wheeling, Va., as to the reputation for truth and veracity of WM. MCKAY HOGE, one of the witnesses for the prosecution, were introduced. Thirty-two of the deponents agreed that his reputation was bad, and nearly all of them testified they would not believe him under oath. Eleven testified that his reputation was that of a felon.

NASHVILLE, Monday, May 28.

The Tennessee Legislature has adjourned until the 28th of November.

MARYLAND.

The Conservative Union Party.

BALTIMORE, Tuesday, May 29.

The Executive Committee of the consideration wing of the Union Party of Maryland met this morning in this city. The attendance was small. The Hon. MONTGOMERY BLAIR, Postmaster PURNELL, Ex-Provost-Marshall BLUMENBURY, were among those present. A resolution was passed excluding reporters and the public, and the proceedings were conducted in private.

WISCONSIN.

Editorial Convention.

MADISON, Wis., Tuesday, May 29.

The eighth annual Convention of the Wisconsin Editorial Association will be held at Janesville, on June 20. CHARLES SEYMOUR, of the *Lacrosse Republican*, will deliver the annual address.

FIRE IN SARATOGA.

Congress Hall Destroyed—Loss $200,000.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Tuesday, May 29.

A fire was discovered in the north wing of Congress Hall at 1 o'clock this morning, and now the whole building is in ruins. Loss $200,000. Much of the furniture was saved. The amount of insurance is not yet ascertained. Messrs. HATHORN & Co. intended opening the hotel on Wednesday. No other hotel was injured.

SECOND DISPATCH.

Congress Hall was insured as follows: On the house $100,000; on the furniture $17,000.

The Hamilton Bath-house was also burned.

No other hotel or building was injured.

From the Pacific Coast.

SAN FRANCISCO, Saturday, May 26.

Mining shares are somewhat firmer. Ophir, 400; Chollar Potosi, 295; Savage, 837; Alpha, 330; Belcher, 210; Yellow Jacket, 615; Imperial, 112.

Legal-tenders are quoted at 73⅛.

Arrived—ship *Harry Bluff*, OLIVER, from New-York.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sunday, May 27.

The steamer *Sierra Nevada* has arrived from Columbia River, bringing $168,000 in treasure.

Also arrived—bark *Emma C. Beale*, Capt. DAWES, from Boston.

SAN FRANCISCO, Monday, May 28.

The steamer *Oriaba* has arrived from Columbia River with $59,000 in treasure.

Mining shares show more tone. Ophir, 370; Imperial, 133; Savage, 840; Yellow Jacket, 625; Chollar Potosi, 300.

Legal-tenders are quoted at 73⅛.

Marine Disaster and Loss of Life.

AUGUSTA, GA., Tuesday, May 29.

The steamer *Oak*, from Hawkinsville for Savannah, was burned last night, near Wilmington Island, with five hundred and twenty-five bales of cotton.

Nine lives were lost.

Lake Disaster.

MILWAUKEE, Tuesday, May 29.

The schooner *Angeline* was wrecked off North Point yesterday morning. One life was lost.

Fire at Pittsburgh.

PITTSBURGH, Penn., Tuesday, May 29.

A fire this morning destroyed Lafayette Hall and the Apollo Buildings. Seventeen business places in the buildings were destroyed. Loss $30,000; two-thirds insured.

Amusements.

FRENCH THEATRE.—The second performance of Mr. EICHBERG'S comic opera, "The Doctor of Alcantara," will be given here to-night. The complete success of the first representation leaves no doubt on the subject of the fate of the second. It will, we hope, be witnessed by an anxious crowd, who, we think, will not go away disappointed.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.—Mr. SUTTON, the obliging Treasurer of this establishment, takes his benefit to-night. The civilities which he has extended to many people will, we hope, be remembered on this occasion. The play is "David Copperfield."

BLIND TOM.—This queer specimen of humanity is delighting his friends and admirers at the Brooklyn Atheneum. Tom plays and claps, laughs and sings, talks and grins, to the edification of crowded houses, his own satisfaction and the immense benefit of his manager.

The Late Dr. Pise.

We regret that the pressure upon our columns precludes the publication of a full report of the Archbishop's sermon preached yesterday at the Church of St. Charles Borromeo, over the remains of his beloved friend and teacher, the late Dr. PISE.

The interior of the church was appropriately draped in mourning, and the window-blinds being closed gave the place a solemn and imposing appearance. Six candles were burning at the head of the coffin, and two gaslights faintly glimmered in another part of the church. Quite a large congregation was present, among whom were a number of prominent clergymen.

The coffin, which was placed immediately in front of the altar, was of rosewood, very handsomely mounted with silver. The body of the deceased was arrayed in all the insignia of his Order; the transverse cap upon his head. On his finger was a ring emblematical of his rank as Doctor-Teacher. The upper part of the body was covered with a purple cape, given to the Doctor of Divinity. The features bore a very natural expression.

At 10 o'clock Archbishop MCCLOSKEY, Right Rev. JOHN LOUGHLIN, Bishop of Brooklyn, Father MALONE, of Williamsburgh, and a number of priests entered the sanctuary.

THE SERVICES.

The solemn High Mass of Requiem, which preceded the sermon, was sung by Father MALONE, the celebrant, assisted by Father FOUCE as Deacon, Father GOODMAN as Subdeacon, and Father GARDNER as Master of Ceremonies.

THE PALL BEARERS.

The remains were subsequently removed to Flatbush Cemetery, followed by the clergy, the congregation and the annexed pall-bearers:

F. Bracher,	C. F. Carusad,
Col. Cutts,	A. McOne,
J. Egert,	O. Byrnes,
R. T. Blackburn,	P. Rice.

Archbishop MCCLOSKEY, in delivering the funeral sermon, announced as his text the words: "Well done, good and faithful servant." After referring to the loss sustained by the church and the congregation in the death of the late pastor, the distinguished prelate referred to his early acquaintance with him in Mount St. Mary College, where he studied for the priesthood. Dr. PISE, he said, was distinguished for his learning, piety and childlike disposition. He had in the college, under his tuition, the late illustrious Archbishop HUGHES, the Bishop of Savannah, and others high in the ministry of the Catholic Church. It was by his counsel and pious persuasion that he (the speaker) was induced to enter the ranks of the priesthood. He had formed an early friendship for him in their college days, and their intimacy was only interrupted by his death. No man could say aught against the purity of his character. He was zealous as a priest, and he was beloved by all who knew him.

The musical services were superbly rendered by BERGU's choir and the choir of the church. Mrs. WILLIAMS, who was formerly leading soprano at St. Charles', sang the "Inflammatus," from ROSSINI'S Stabat Mater, with remarkable feeling and sweetness, while the rest of the work was more than ordinarily well done by Mme. BOULIGHT and the choirs as above mentioned.

GENERAL CITY NEWS.

ARRIVALS IN THE CITY.—Maj.-Gen. J. W. Turner, Brig.-Gen. R. W. Smith, Maj. H. Jewett, U. S. A.; Lieut. Cox, U. S. N., and Princess Salm Salm, Washington, are at the Hoffman House. Hon. William Bigler, Pennsylvania; Gen. H. L. Robinson, Washington; Hon. Richard Yates, Illinois, and Hon. W. H. Hooper, Utah, are at the St. Nicholas Hotel. Ex-Mayor John Butterfield, Gov. A. W. Randall, Washington; J. G. Low, Savannah; Hon. H. W. Holden, Washington; Hon. E. A. Rollins, Washington; Hon. A. Pollok, Washington; S. E. Meigs, Philadelphia; O. J. Martin, Philadelphia; Hon. Homer Bamsdell, Newburgh; Hon. A. Getty, Philadelphia, and Hon. H. B. Goodyear, New-Haven, are at the Astor House.

ARRIVAL OF EMIGRANTS.—The steamship *Atlantic*, of the North American Lloyd's Line, arrived from Bremen, on 27th, bringing 1,122 passengers, all of whom were landed in good health, as were three "extras," born on the passage. There arrived since the morning of the 26th the following steamers, bringing 6,899 passengers: *Saxonia*, from Hamburg, 842; *America*, from Bremen, 699; *Atlantic*, from Bremen, 1,122; *Brazilian*, from Liverpool, 443; *City of Boston*, from Liverpool, 420; *Aleppo*, from Liverpool, 556; *City of Manchester*, 579; *Scotland*, from Liverpool, 1,054; *Britannia*, from Glasgow, 434; *Bellona*, London and Havre, 449. Total, 6,898.

INCREASE OF FIREMEN'S SALARIES.—The salaries of the firemen have been increased in accordance with an act of the Legislature authorizing an addition of twenty per cent. to the old rates, which were as follows: Chief Engineer, $3,000 a year; Assistant Engineers, $1,500; District Engin ers, $1,200; Foremen, $800; Assistant Foremen, $750; Engineers of steamers, $900; and privates, $700. The new salaries are: Chief Engineer, $6,600 a year; Assistant Engineers, $1,800; District Engineers, $1,440; Foremen, $960; Assistant Foremen, $900; Engineers of steamers, $1,080; privates, $840 a year.

SUICIDE BY A RETURNED VETERAN.—An inquest was held yesterday by Coroner GOVER, at No. 3 Catharine-slip, over the body of WILLIAM DICKSON, who committed suicide by hanging himself to the bed-post with a handkerchief. Deceased was discharged from the United States service in June, 1865, whence he proceeded to Scotland. On his return he found it difficult to obtain employment to support himself decently. It is supposed that this led him to commit the act. A verdict in accordance with the facts was recorded. Deceased was a Scotchman, and 41 years of age.

ALBANY DAY LINE OF STEAMERS.—The steamboats *C. Vibbard* and *Daniel Drew* will commence running on Thursday, May 31, 1866, leaving Desbrosses-street, at 7:45 A. M., and stopping at all the principal places on the river. The boats have been newly furnished, and are provided with every convenience that the safety and comfort of passengers can require.

AN ANCIENT SCHOOL.—The two hundred and thirty-third anniversary of the School of the Collegiate Reformed Protestant Dutch Church will be celebrated this evening, at the church in Fifth-avenue and Twenty-ninth-street. Some interesting exercises are promised.

THE EXCISE LAW.—A mass meeting of those in favor of a rigid enforcement of the Excise Law will be held at Cooper Institute this evening.

BROOKLYN NEWS.

IMPRESSIVE MASONIC FUNERAL CEREMONIES.—The obsequies of Mr. WILLIAM F. KEMP, master builder, who died at his residence, corner of Sixth-street and North First, E. D., on Sunday last, were celebrated at the Reformed Dutch Church, Fourth-street, yesterday afternoon. The members of Progressive Lodge, F. and A. M.; Crusaders Lodge No. 61, I. O. of O. F., and Mount Pisgah Encampment No. 26, attended in full regalia. Rev. Dr. FORTER read a portion of the Scriptures, and delivered a very impressive address, in the course of which he said: "I have often been asked if these Societies are inimical to the Church and Christianity, and I have always answered in the negative. There can be neither Atheist or Deist in either Order," said the learned Divine, "and some of the very best Christians are among the Masons." The deceased was a native of London, aged 57 years and 9 months, and leaves a widow and four children. His remains were accompanied to Cypress Hills Cemetery by the members of the lodges to which he belonged, where the usual ceremonies were performed by P. W. M. WILLIAM FREEMAN. Pallbearers—Brothers BLOOMFIELD, CHOUDER, MELLOWAY, DUNCAN, GEORGE, CUSHER, JENKINS, FOUKER.

BROOKLYN CITY MORTALITY.—The total number of deaths last week was 198, of which 13 were of pneumonia, 8 of convulsions, 4 of marasmus, 3 of diphtheria, &c. Under one year of age, 36. Natives of the United States, 86; Ireland, 22; England, 5; Germany, 2; other countries, 3.

DEATH OF MRS. GEN. CLARKE.—MRS. CAROLINE E. T. CLARKE, wife of our friend, Gen. DE WITT C. CLARKE, departed this life on Wednesday morning last. An invalid for years, her death put an end to a life in its latter days of most poignant pain and suffering. A woman of splendid talents and fine literary abilities, she enjoyed a wide acquaintance with scholarly men and women of the country, and was esteemed by all who knew her. Her pen was prolific in both prose and poetry, and the *Home Journal*, and many of our leading periodicals, have published her elegant and popular contributions. Gen. CLARKE arrived here yesterday afternoon, and in the loss of the beloved partner of his years he has the entire condolence of the citizens of the town which he has so long lived in and loved. The funeral will take place to-day, at 10 A. M., from St. Mary's Cathedral. —*Burlington Free Press.*

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NEW-YORK, May 18, 1868.

NOTICE TO SCRIP STOCK HOLDERS.—Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors, at their stated meeting held this date, unanimously adopted the following, viz.:

Resolved, That a call for fifty (50) per cent. in cash, payable on the 1st day of June, 1868, be and the same is hereby made on the holders of the scrip stock of record at the closing of the transfer books on the 25th day of May, 1868, at 3 P. M., being fifty dollars ($50) on each share issued under the act of 1865 to increase the capital stock of the Company.

Resolved, That said payments may be made until and inclusive of the 1st day of August, with interest at 7 per cent. per annum from and after the said 1st day of June.

In accordance with the terms of the said scrip stock, the sum with the amount of interest that will be liable to forfeiture in default of payment on or before the said 1st day of August, 1868.

Certificates of stock will be ready for delivery on the payment and surrender of the certificates of scrip stock at the Company's office.

By order of the Board of Directors.
THEO. T. JOHNSON, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD CO.,
No. 270 WEST 32TH-ST.,
NEW-YORK, May 20, 1868.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the Hudson River Railroad Company for the election of Directors for the ensuing year will be held at the office of the Company, No. 270 West 30th-st., New-York City, on MONDAY, June 1, 1868. Polls will be open from 12 M. until 2 P. M., and the transfer books will be closed from the 25th inst. to the same hour, not beyond the setting of the sun on the same day as the Inspectors may find necessary to receive the votes of electors presenting themselves.

The transfer books will be closed from 3 o'clock P. M. on the first day of May, until 10 o'clock A. M. of the 12th day of June.
AUGUSTUS SCHELL, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE DELAWARE AND HUDSON CANAL COMPANY, NEW-YORK, May 6, 1868.

AT AN ELECTION FOR MANAGERS, held at this office on TUESDAY, the 5th inst., pursuant to public notice, the following named gentlemen were duly elected Managers of this Company for the ensuing year, viz.:

William S. Herriman,	Robert L. Kennedy,
Charles N. Talbot,	James M. Halsted,
Edward J. Woolsey,	LeGrand B. Cannon,
C. Talbot Olyphant,	John A. Aspinwall,
Samuel B. Schultz,	James M. Taylor,
Abiel A. Low,	Thomas Dickson,
O. DeF. Grant;	

and at a meeting of the Board of Managers, held THIS DAY, GEORGE TALBOT OLYPHANT, Esq., was unanimously reelected President.

By order of the Board.
ISAAC N. SEYMOUR, Treasurer.

SILVER HILL MINING COMPANY,
OFFICE, No. 62 BROADWAY,
NEW-YORK, May 12, 1868.

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE STOCKholders of this Company will be held at the Company's office, No. 62 Broadway, New-York, on THURSDAY, June 18, at 12 o'clock M., to vote on the resolutions to reduce the capital stock of this Company to $400,000, and also distributing the 10,000 shares of capital stock remaining unissued.

(Signed)
THOS. STEVENSON,
J. G. HITCHCOCK,
JACOB STEVENS,
D. C. SPENCER,
SETH JOHNSON,
ALEX. M. LESLEY.
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THE BANKING HOUSE OF DANIELS, CROZIER & COE will occupy the premises No. 54 Nassau-st., when completed, on or about the 1st day of June.
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Huntington, L. I.
LUKE C. COE,
Formerly of Hyde, Coe & McCollum,
Merchants, New-York.

PHILADELPHIA, April 23, 1868.

DAUPHIN AND SUSQUEHANNA COAL COMPANY.—SCHUYLKILL AND SUSQUEHANNA RAILROAD COMPANY.—BONDS.—The Bonds of the Dauphin and Susquehanna Coal Company, now the Schuylkill and Susquehanna Railroad Company, secured by first mortgage, dated the twenty-second day of April, A. D., 1851, will be purchased at par on the day of their maturity by and at the office of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company, No. 227 South Fourth-st., in the City of Philadelphia.

For the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Co.
S. BRADFORD, Treasurer.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,
May 22, 1868.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO THE holders of Certificates of Indebtedness issued under acts of Congress, approved March 1 and 17, 1862, that the Secretary of the Treasury, in accordance with said acts and the tenor of said certificates, is prepared to redeem before maturity all Certificates of Indebtedness falling due in June, July or August, 1868, with accrued interest thereon, as presented for redemption on or before May 31, and that thereafter such certificates will cease to bear interest, and will be paid on presentation to this Department with interest only to the said 31st inst.

HUGH McCULLOCH, Secretary of the Treasury.

NOTICE.—NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN IN CONformity with the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the State of New-Jersey, in such case made and provided, that all the circulating notes of the BURLINGTON BANK, in the City of Burlington, and State aforesaid, must be presented for redemption at the Bank, in said City and county and state, or at the Philadelphia National Bank, in the City of Philadelphia, or at the Park National Bank, in the City of New-York, within one year from this date, or that the funds held by said Bank for the redemption of such notes will be distributed among the stockholders of said Bank.

Dated this 1, 1868.
JOHN ASHEW, President.

CHICAGO AND ROCK ISLAND RAILROAD COMPANY,
CHICAGO, May 1, 1868.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKholders of this Company for the election of thirteen Directors for the ensuing year, will be held at the office of the Company, in the City of Chicago, on Wednesday, the 20th day of May, 1868, at 2 o'clock P. M.

The transfer books of the Company will be closed at the close of business on the 10th instant, and re-opened on the 21 day of June next.

L. A. CATLIN, Secretary.

OFFICE GREENWICH INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 177 WASHINGTON-ST.,
NEW-YORK, May 18, 1868.

AN ELECTION FOR TWENTY DIRECtors of this institution for the ensuing year, and three Inspectors of the next succeeding election, will be held at the office of the Company, No. 177 Broadway, on MONDAY, June 4 next.

The poll will be open at 12 M., and close at 1 o'clock P. M.
JAMES HARRISON, Secretary.

OFFICE OF NEW-YORK EQUITABLE INSURANCE CO.,
No. 30 WALL-ST.,
NEW-YORK, May 21, 1868.

ELECTION—THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR Directors of this Company will be held at their office, on Monday, the 8th day of June next. The polls will be open from 12 M. to 1 P. M.
JOHN MILLER, Secretary.

CHICAGO AND NORTH-WESTERN RAILWAY CO.,
SECRETARY'S OFFICE, CHICAGO, May 1, 1868.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BONDholders and stockholders of the Chicago and North-western Railway Company will be held at the office of the Company, in the city of Chicago, on THURSDAY, the 9th day June, 1868, at 11 o'clock A. M.
JAMES R. YOUNG, Secretary.

MENDOTA MINING COMPANY OF LAKE SUPERIOR.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of the MENDOTA MINING COMPANY of Lake Superior will be held at the offices of the Company, No. 52 New-York, on WEDNESDAY, the 20th June next, at 1 P. M.
CHARLES J. WELLS, Secretary.

NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors of the EAST INDIA TELEGRAPH COMPANY, will be held on WEDNESDAY, June 6, at No. 29 Exchange-place. Poll open from 11 to 1 o'clock P. M.
By order
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W. BEMENT, Treasurer.
NEW-YORK, May 25, 1868.

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MISSISSIPPI AND MISSOURI RAILROAD COMPANY.—LAST NOTICE TO THE HOLDERS OF STOCK AND BONDS OF THIS COMPANY.—The undersigned, in pursuance of the trust imposed upon them, have ordered a decree of foreclosure and sale, under and by the terms of which the property and franchise of the Company will be sold at public auction on the 9th day of July next.

All holders of the bonds and stock of the Company who wish to protect their interest at such sale must deposit their bonds and stock with the Union Trust Company of New-York on or before the 25th day of June next.
NEW-YORK, May 21, 1868.
G. W. STANTON, Jr.,
BLAKELY WILSON,
JOHN ELLIOTT,
} Committee.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
WASHINGTON, May 20, 1868.

CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS ISsued by the Treasury Department, bearing interest for the months of June, July and August, 1868, will be paid with the accrued interest on presentation at this office. Interest on such certificates will cease on the 31st of May. Certificates must be accompanied in the schedule showing the amount, date of issue and accrued interest at the time of payment.

COMPOUND INTEREST NOTES will also be received at this office for presentation at par and accrued interest. These must also be accompanied by a schedule as above designated.
H. H. VAN DYCK,
Assistant Treasurer.

NEW-YORK AND NEW-HAVEN RAILROAD COMPANY,
CONSUMER-ST.-AND 6TH-AV.,
TREASURER'S OFFICE, May 20, 1868.

AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the New-York and New-Haven Railroad Company, the following named gentlemen were elected Directors, to wit: George B. Carhart, George N. Miller, Abraham R. Van Nest, James J. Roosevelt, Wilson G. Hunt, Jonathan Godfrey, E. C. Sanford, E. H. Townsend and Samuel Sloan. At a meeting of the Directors this day, G. B. Carhart, Esq., declining a reelection, Hon. R. C. SCRANTON, of Scranton, was unanimously elected President of the Company.
H. ABERNETHY, Sec'y.

NEW-JERSEY RAILROAD AND TRANSPORTATION CO.,
OFFICE No. 3 RAILROAD-ST., CORNER OF EXCHANGE-PLACE,
NEW-YORK, May 14, 1868.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the New-Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company, for the election of Directors and transaction of business, will be held at the railroad depot, Jersey City, on WEDNESDAY, the 27th day of May next, at 11 o'clock A. M.
FRED. R. RANKIN, Secretary.

NOTICE.—THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the BROADWAY AND SEVENTH-AV. RAILROAD COMPANY, for the election of Directors for the ensuing year, will be held at the office of the Company on MONDAY, the 25th day of June, at 12 o'clock noon. The transfer-books will be closed from the 1st to the 12th of June next.
JOHN KERR, President.

DOUGLASS MINING COMPANY OF MICHIGAN,
OFFICE, No. 21 WILLIAM-ST., NEW-YORK.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKholders of the Douglass Mining Company will be held at the office of the Company in New-York, on MONDAY, June 4, at 3 o'clock P. M., in accordance with article five of the by-laws.
May 18, 1868.
S. J. EDWARDS, Secretary.

OFFICE OF SHELDEN AND COLUMBIAN COPPER COMPANY, No. 27 WILLIAM-ST., NEW-YORK.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this Company will be held at the office of the Company in New-York, on TUESDAY, June 2, at 3 o'clock P. M., in accordance with article five of the by-laws.
MAY 2, 1868.
S. J. EDWARDS, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE FIDELITY INSURANCE CO.,
No. 191 BROADWAY, May 21, 1868.

AN ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of this company will be held at their office on MONDAY, the 8th day of June next, for the election of Trustees for the ensuing year. The poll will be open from 12 to 1 P. M.
G. W. PRATT, Secretary.

LOAN—WANTED ON REAL ESTATE IN THIS City, first mortgage $11,000, at six per cent., for a term of years, property worth three times the amount; and $5,000 at seven per cent. Address LOAN, Box No. 170 Times Office.

COMMISSIONER FOR MASSACHUSETTS and other States.—No. 6 Beekman-st., Room No. 4, Astor door over Park Bank.

FINANCIAL.

VERMILYE & CO.,

NO. 44 WALL-ST.,

BANKERS AND DEALERS

IN

GOVERNMENT STOCKS

AND

COMPOUND INTEREST NOTES.

CLOSING PRICES.
NEW-YORK, May 19, 1868.

	Bid.	Sell.		Buy.	Sell.
Registered, '81	109⅝	109¾	June, '65	105¾	105⅞
Coupon, '81	109⅝	109¾	July, '65	105¾	105⅞
5-20 Regist'd, '62	109¼	109⅜	Aug., C. L. N's, '64	111⅝	111⅞
5-20 Coupon, '62	109¼	109⅜	Sept., C. L. N's, '64	111⅝	111⅞
5-20 Coupon, '64	107	107⅛	Aug., C. L. N's, '64	111	111⅛
5-20 Coupon, '65	108⅜	108⅝	Oct., C. L. N's, '64	110	110⅛
10-40 Registered	96	96⅛	Dec., C. L. N's, '64	108	108⅛
10-40 Coupon	96⅛	96⅜	May, C. L. N's, '65	107	107⅛
Curr'cy Certifics.	100	100⅛	Aug., C. L. N's, '65	105¾	106
Gold	137⅛	137⅜	Sept., C. L. N's, '65	105	105⅛
August, '7-30's	105⅜	105⅝	Oct., C. L. N's, '65	104⅝	104⅞

BANKING HOUSE OF JAY COOKE & CO.

Corner Wall and Nassau Sts., New York.
We buy and sell at the most liberal current prices, and keep on hand a full supply of
GOVERNMENT BONDS OF ALL ISSUES,
SEVEN-THIRTIES,
CERTIFICATES OF INDEBTEDNESS,
AND
COMPOUND INTEREST NOTES,
And execute orders for purchase and sale of STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD.
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HENRY CLEWS. WM. B. REND. THEODORE S. FOWLER.

HENRY CLEWS & CO.,

(Successors to Livermore, Clews & Co.)
BANKERS,
No. 32 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK.
DEPOSITS IN CURRENCY AND GOLD RECEIVED.
Merchants, Bankers and individuals opening accounts with us will be
ALLOWED INTEREST AT THE CURRENT MARKET RATE
on all daily balances, subject to check on demand without notice.
U. S. SECURITIES PURCHASED AND FOR SALE.
All kinds on hand, ready for instant delivery, at the lowest market price.
Collections made on Washington and all other points in the Union, with quick returns.

ALBERT H. NICOLAY,

STOCK BROKER AND AUCTIONEER,
NO. 49 PINE-ST., NEW-YORK.
ESTABLISHED 15 YEARS.
INSURANCE, EXPRESS, TELEGRAPH, GAS, CITY, RAILROAD, BANK, MINING AND PETROLEUM STOCKS RECEIVE SPECIAL ATTENTION.

CHAS. GRAHAM,

BANKER AND BROKER,
NO. 64 BROADWAY AND 19 NEW-ST.,
STOCKS, BONDS, AND GOLD
BOUGHT AND SOLD ON COMMISSION.

KEOKUK BONDS!
The compromise settlement for the old discredited and illegal bonds of the City of Keokuk, will be made on and after June 20, 1868. All parties holding contracts with the undersigned for exchange into new bonds and stocks, or cash, will receive the same on presentation as above.
All bonds not represented in this compromise settlement except the "Wharf Bonds" will on strictly ignored by the City of Keokuk.
J. F. FRANKLIN, No. 112 Broadway,
Special Agent, City of Keokuk.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE AMERICAN TUNNEL AND SILVER MINING COMPANY pursuant to section 12 of the Act of Feb. 17, 1865, entitled "An Act to authorize the formation of corporations for mining, mining, mechanical or chemical purposes," and section 2 of the Act amending same, passed June 7, 1853.

Capital Stock.....$1,000,000
Of which no part has actually been paid in.....All of which was issued by the Trustees in payment for property purchased by them necessary for the business of the Company.
Amount of existing debt.....$ ——
GEO. B. LINCOLN, President.
GEO. F. ROSE,
JOHN WINSLOW,
H. T. RAND,
L. P. ROSE.
} Trustees.

Dated JAN. 15, 1868.
STATE OF NEW-YORK, CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW-YORK, ss.: GEORGE B. LINCOLN being duly sworn saith that he is the President of the American Tunnel and Silver Mining Company above named, and that the foregoing report is in all respects correct.
GEO. B. LINCOLN, President.
Sworn to before me this 23d day of May, 1868.
ANDREW CLARK, Notary Public,
for the City and County of New-York.
[U. S. Int. Rev. 5 cent stamp canceled.]

OFFICE OF THE
NORTH AMERICAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 114 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, May 28, 1868.

AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors of the North American Fire Insurance Company, held at their office, No. 114 Broadway, on Monday, the 25th inst., the following Directors were unanimously elected:

SAMUEL W. OTIS,	JOHN AUCHINCLOSS,
JOSIAH LANE,	OLIVER S. CARTER,
RICH'D M. BLATCHFORD,	WILLIAM BARTON,
CALEB SWAN,	OLIVER H. SHEPARD,
WILLIAM W. GALE,	JAMES B. JOHNSTON,
DANIEL S. SEARING,	SIDNEY BROOKS,
CHARLES WILLIAMS,	HENRY FARRIS,
JOHN WRIGHT,	JOHN DELAFIELD,
WILLIAM H. STONE,	EDW. D. LYMAN,
JOSHUA J. HENRY,	HENRY C. RICE.
LYON CIVILL.	

At a subsequent meeting of the Board of Directors, JAMES W. OTIS was unanimously reelected President.
E. W. BLEECKER, Secretary.

CHICAGO AND ROCK ISLAND RAILROAD COMPANY.—The Board of Directors of the Chicago and Rock Island Railroad Company have resolved to issue $2,000,000 of bonds, or obligations of the Company, (convertible into stock,) and dispose of them to the stockholders at the rate of 20 per cent. of the par value of the same. The bonds will be apportioned among the stockholders pro rata to their holdings, and offered for sale on the closing of the transfer books on the 8th day of May next.

The payment of the 20 per cent. of the par value of the bonds must be made at the office of the Company by the 12th day of June next, at which date the bonds will be ready for delivery.

The transfer books will be closed on the 8th day of May and reopened on the 12th of June next.
FRANCIS H. TOWS, Secretary.

OFFICE OF SHELDEN AND COLUMBIAN COPPER CO.,
No. 27 WILLIAM-ST., NEW-YORK, May 20, 1868.

THE WOLLCOTT CERTIFICATES OF the stock of the Shelden and Columbian Copper Company having been forfeited for non-payment of assessments, will be sold at public auction, at the office of the Company, on SATURDAY, June 20, 1868, at 3 o'clock P. M., viz.:
Certificate No. 47, in name of Geo. Bliss, for 75 shares.
Certificate No. 21, in name of Charles F. Stephenson, for 50 shares.
By order of the Board of Directors.
S. J. EDWARDS, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE
CLEVELAND AND TOLEDO RAILROAD COMPANY,
CLEVELAND, Ohio, May 20, 1868.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE STOCKholders of this Company, for the election of Directors and the transaction of other appropriate business, will be held at the Company's office, in the City of Cleveland, on WEDNESDAY, June 3, 1868, the polls opening at 11 o'clock A. M., and closing at 3 o'clock P. M.
The transfer-books will be closed on Saturday, June 6, at 3 o'clock P. M., and reopened on the morning of Thursday, June 11.
WM. F. STAUNTON, Secretary.

SARATOGA AND WHITEHALL RAILROAD COMPANY.—ANNUAL ELECTION.—The annual election of thirteen Directors of the Saratoga and Whitehall Railroad Company, will be held at the office of the Company, in the Mansion House, in the village of Saratoga Springs, on TUESDAY, the 12th day of June next. The polls will be opened at 10 o'clock A. M., and remain open four hours.
H. H. LOCKWOOD, Secretary.
TROY, N. Y., May 23, 1868.

OFFICE OF THE ARCTIC FIRE INS. CO.,
No. 18 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK, May 19, 1868.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION OF DIRECtors of this Company, for the election of Directors at the next meeting election, will be held at the office of this Company, on TUESDAY, the 9th day of June next, from 12 till 1 o'clock. By order
V. TILYOU, Secretary.

LACKAWANNA BUILDINGS,
OFFICE OF TOLEDO, PEORIA AND WARSAW RAILROAD COMPANY, No. 2 EXCHANGE-PLACE,
NEW-YORK, May 20, 1868.

THE COUPONS DUE ON THE FIRST mortgage bonds of the Company on the 1st of June will be paid at the office of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Company, No. 33 Exchange-place, less Government tax.
CHARLES L. FROST, President.

OFFICE OF THE NEW-YORK AND HAVRE STEAMSHIP COMPANY, No. 3 Broadway,
NEW-YORK, May 20, 1868.

NEW-YORK AND HAVRE STEAMSHIP COMPANY.—The annual election of Directors will be held at the office of the Company, No. 3 Broadway, on June 3, next, from 11 A. M. and 1 P. M.
By order of
ISAAC BELL, President.

NEW WORLD FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
No. 111 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, May 20, 1868.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR THIRteen Directors of this Company will be held at this office on MONDAY, the 8th day of June next, from 12 to 1 P. M.
SAMUEL A. PATTERSON, Secretary.

NOTICE.—LOST, A CERTIFICATE OF DEposit in the Eighth National Bank of the City of New-York, for $1,120 twelve hundred dollars, dated April 1, 1868, payable to order of MARK WOOD. All persons are hereby cautioned against negotiating the same, or payment has been stopped and a duplicate issued.

LOST OR MISLAID—CERTIFICATE NO. 8,181 of one share of the capital stock of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company of Baltimore, in the name of Scott, Capron & Co.; transfer of the same has been stopped, and a suitable reward will be paid on its return to W. E. HICKS, No. 12 Broad-st.

$55,000 TO LOAN ON BOND AND Mortgage in New-York and Brooklyn. JOHNSON & DRAKE, No. 115 Maiden-lane, corner Pearl-st., up stairs.

SAN FRANCISCO CITY AND CALIFORNIA STATE COUPONS bought or collected at best rates. WELLS, FARGO & CO., No. 61 Broadway.

MACHINERY.

TOBACCO CUTTERS.—HAND-MACHINES—all cut chewing and smoking. Drawn as the manufactory, No. 15 East 27th-st. J. THOMPSON.

FOR SALE—THREE NEW WROUGHT IRON riveted beams, 42 feet in length, very strong. Inquire at the Metropolitan Savings Bank, No. 10 Cooper Institute.

AUCTION SALES.

SCRANTON COAL AT AUCTION.
MAY 20, 1868.

The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company will hold their thirty-eighth auction sale of coal, on WEDNESDAY, the 20th day of May, 1868, at 12 o'clock noon, at their new coal depot, foot of Barclay-st., corner of Williams-st., New-York, at which time they will sell, by Messrs. John H. Sargent & Co., auctioneers,

FROM MINE TO NEW-YORK,
of fresh mined Scranton coal of the usual sizes, deliverable at their depot, Bloomsburgh, N. J., during the month of June next.

The sale will be positive; each lot put up will be sold to the highest bidder; no bids, in any form whatever, being made for account of or on behalf of the Company. The conditions will be fully made known at the time of sale.

TERMS—Fifty cents per ton, payable in current funds, on the day of sale, and the balance, with the Government tax of seven cents per ton, within ten days thereafter, at the office of the Company.
JOHN BRISBIN, President.

SALE OF PUBLIC PROPERTY.
OFFICE OF ARMY CLOTHING AND EQUIPAGE,
NEW-YORK, May 19, 1868.

Will be sold at public auction, at Depot of Army Clothing and Equipage, corner Eleventh and Washington sts., New-York City, on FRIDAY, June 1st next, commencing at 10 o'clock, A. M., as follows:
20,000 Spades, new.
1,000 Shovels, new.
1,000 Picks, new.
20,000 Pickaxe Handles, new.
These goods are from the best manufacturers, and are in the original packages.
Samples of the above articles can be seen at the depot, and further information obtained.
Terms cash, Government funds; ten per cent. down and the balance before the goods are taken from the depot, which must be within three days of sale, under forfeiture of the goods and ten per cent.
Brevet Brig.-Gen. D. H. VINTON,
D. Q. M. Gen. U. S. A.

SALE OF VESSELS.
The subscriber will expose for sale at public auction to the highest bidder, on the 26th day of May, 1868, at 12 o'clock, noon, at the Merchants' Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New-York, the following vessels, with all their tackle, apparel and furniture, to wit: The *Falcon*, *Seagull* and *Kingfisher*. Said vessels are propellers. The *Seagull* and *Kingfisher* are now lying at Pier No. 11 North River, in said City, and the *Falcon* at the foot of 13th-st., North River, in said City.
The sale will be made in pursuance of the terms of and by authority contained in three certain mortgages, one on each vessel, dated respectively 3d day of February, 1868, and given by the Commercial Steamboat Company to John Winslow, Jr., Auditor of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company, to secure certain indebtedness therein respectively named.—Dated May 14, 1868.
JOHN W. THORP,
Attorney for Mortgagee.
The above sale is adjourned to WEDNESDAY, May 20, 1868, at 12 M., at the same place.
JOHN W. THORP,
Attorney for Mortgagee.
Dated Friday, May 22, 1868.
The above sale is further adjourned to TUESDAY, June 2, 1868, at 12 M., at the same place.
JOHN W. THORP,
Attorney for Mortgagee.
Dated Wednesday, May 27, 1868.

GOVERNMENT SALE OF THE MILItary railroad at Brazos Santiago, Texas.

QUARTERMASTER-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 18, 1868.

The attention of capitalists seeking a profitable investment, is invited to this sale.
Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Quartermaster-General, (Division of River and Rail Transportation,) at Washington, D. C., until the first day of June next, at 12 o'clock, for the purchase of all the right, title and interest of the United States in and to the United States Military Railroad from Brazos Santiago to White's Ranche, Texas.
The sale will include the entire track and sidings, buildings, water-stations, turntables, bridges, &c., the railroad materials and supplies pertaining to the road, together with the rolling-stock, cars, machinery and their equipments.
The sale will not include the title to the land, which does not belong to the United States.
This road is thirty-two miles in length, and extends from Brazos Santiago to the Rio Grande, on the Rio Grande. From this point connection is made by steamer with Brownsville and Matamoras.
The route is the shortest and best for the immense trade between the Gulf of Mexico and the interior of Southern Texas and Northern Mexico, and the communication by rail alone can readily be extended to Brownsville.
The road already completed saves thirty miles of difficult and tortuous navigation. Boats on the river now charge, it is stated, for freight to Brownsville, as high as $6 per barrel, and for passengers $15 each.
The road is five feet gauge, good ties, T rail, and fall ballasted.
More particular description of the property can be obtained of the officer in charge of the Chief Quartermaster Military Division of the Gulf, at New-Orleans.
A condition of the sale will be that transportation shall be furnished for all troops and supplies of the United States whenever required, at the rates paid by Government at the time to the New-York Central Railroad.
The terms of payment accepted will be those considered the most favorable to the United States.
Ten per cent. cash, in Government funds, to be paid on acceptance of proposal.
The Government reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.
Proposals should be indorsed, "Proposals for purchase of Brazos Santiago and Rio Grande Railroad," and addressed to the Division of River and Rail Transportation, Quartermaster-General's Office, Washington, D. C.
By order of the Quartermaster-General,
ALEXANDER BLISS,
Brevet Colonel and A. Q. M., in charge fourth Division, Q. M. G. O.

HENRY H. LEEDS, Auctioneer.

HENRY H. LEEDS & MINER WILL sell, by auction, on WEDNESDAY, May 20, at 10½ o'clock, at the private residence No. 37 West 10th-st., the entire HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, consisting of Brussels and ingrain carpets, rosewood suite in figured satin, rosewood marble-top centre-tables, rosewood marble-top etagere, mirror back, rosewood suite in purple satin, rosewood carved and carved table, mahogany writing desk, rosewood book-case, pearl inlaid reception chairs, cottage suites, mahogany dress-bureaus, rosewood suite in green plush, spring mattresses, pillows, bedsteads, bedding, crockery, &c., black walnut dining-table, oak writing desk, oak cane-seat chairs, &c.
Also, an assortment of kitchen furniture, with which the sale will commence.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT under and by virtue of a certain instrument of indenture, dated the sixth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-nine, made and entered into between JOHN COLLINS, ELISHA RIGGS, WILLIAM S. WETMORE and STEWART BROWN, of the first part; PROSPER M. WETMORE, of the second part; the United States of America, by JOHN P. HALE, Secretary of the Navy of the United States, of the third part, and for the purpose of obtaining repayment of the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand one hundred and sixty-four pounds sterling, remaining unsatisfied of advances due, unpaid and unreturned to the United States, with interest thereon from the twentieth day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, I will on the first day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight, at 12 o'clock at noon, sell at the Merchants' Exchange, at the City of New-York, at public auction, for cash, the steamship *Atlantic*, her tackle, apparel, &c.
PROSPER

SHIPPING.

THE SOUTH AMERICAN LINE OF FIRST-CLASS OCEAN STEAMERS.

THE NEW-YORK and BRAZILIAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO. intend to dispatch their steamships from their pier, foot of Canal-st., North River, as follows:

Steamer ARAGUAYA, Capt. ——, Saturday, Feb. 2, at 1 P. M.
Steamer PARANA, Capt. ——, Saturday, Feb. 16, at 1 P. M.
Steamer ARAGUAYA, Capt. ——, Saturday, March 1, at 1 P. M.

Cabin passage to Rio Janeiro, $150; to Montevideo, $150; to Buenos Ayres, $150. Steerage passage to Rio Janeiro, $80; to Montevideo, $80; to Buenos Ayres, $80. Steerage passengers will be supplied with provisions, cooked by the stewards of the steamers, at the following rates, viz: Rio Janeiro, $1 50; Montevideo, $1 50; Buenos Ayres, $1 50.

Cabin passage can be secured by application to the agents, CHARLES MORGAN & CO., No. 5 Broadway.

Steamers will call at Pernambuco, Bahia, Rio Janeiro, Montevideo and Buenos Ayres, and no other ports.

Freight taken at low rates.

Specie not received on board.

Bills of lading signed at the office of the agents, No. 5 Broadway.

For freight or passage, apply to the agents, CHARLES MORGAN & CO., No. 5 Broadway.

NEW-YORK AND BRAZIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

The new and splendid steamship ARAGUAYA, Capt. ——, will leave pier No. 4 North River, foot of Canal-st., on SATURDAY, Feb. 2, at 1 P. M.

Cabin passage to Rio Janeiro, $150; to Montevideo, $150; to Buenos Ayres, $150. Steerage passage to Rio Janeiro, $80; to Montevideo, $80; to Buenos Ayres, $80. Steerage passengers will be supplied with provisions, cooked by the stewards of the steamers, at the following rates, viz: Rio Janeiro, $1 50; Montevideo, $1 50; Buenos Ayres, $1 50.

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STEAMER SAXONIA.

A lady wishes to dispose of a berth in the steamer which sails on the 2d of June for Southampton and Bremen. Apply at 5 Bowling-green, second floor, between the hours of 10 and 12 A. M.

FOR HAVANA VIA NASSAU, N. P.

RAILWAY MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

POSTAL CONTRACT—SEMI-MONTHLY MAIL SERVICE.

ATLANTIC AND GULF STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

The fine steamship CHEROKEE, Capt. ——, will leave Pier No. 4 North River, foot of Canal-st., on SATURDAY, Feb. 2, at 3 P. M.

Passage to Nassau, $25; to Havana, $40. Specie not received on board. Bills of lading signed at the office of the company, No. 5 Broadway.

For freight or passage, apply to the agents, CHARLES MORGAN & CO., No. 5 Broadway.

FOR HAVANA DIRECT.

The fine steamship CAHAWBA, Capt. ——, will leave Pier No. 4 North River, foot of Canal-st., on SATURDAY, Feb. 9, at 3 P. M.

Passage to Havana, $40. Specie not received on board. Bills of lading signed at the office of the company, No. 5 Broadway.

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NOTICE TO PASSENGERS.—THE STEAMship CITY OF COKE, to the 15th inst., will leave Pier No. 40 North River, at 3 P. M., for Liverpool, calling at Queenstown. Price of passage, $80; stewardess, $5; payable in advance. Apply to JOHN D. JALE, Agent, No. 6 Broadway, New-York.

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FOR HAVANA DIRECT.

The fine steamship ISABEL, Capt. ——, will leave Pier No. 4 North River, foot of Canal-st., on SATURDAY, Jan. 26, at 3 P. M.

Passage to Havana, $40. Specie not received on board. Bills of lading signed at the office of the company, No. 5 Broadway.

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DEATH OF LIEUT. GEN. SCOTT.

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short time; nor was this all. One of the most important parts of army movement is the means of transportion—wagons, horses, mules, oxen, timbrels, ambulances; everything necessary to the ready transportation of not only the well, but of the sick and wounded soldiers must be provided. The labor and the cost of all this is immense, incalculable by those unacquainted with military matters. The impatience of the public was great, yet the result was sufficient to satisfy the most querulous mind. On the 4th of July—*eighty-three days only* from the issue of the President's proclamation—not less than 200,000 men had rallied to the national standard, of which not less than 150,000 were in the field. A quicker work than this, or one on grander scale, has never been performed even amid the vast military operations of Europe.

It is not at all desirable that "the confusion and annoyance which so effectually monopolized the attention of all our leading minds during the succeeding year should be discussed or analyzed here. Suffice it to say that Gen. Scorr continued at his post as Commander-in-Chief of the army during the Summer and early Autumn of this eventful year. To him were intrusted the general plans of the campaign. With him the President, the members of the Cabinet, and the Generals of the army consulted. His office was surrounded with engineers, field officers and members of his staff, receiving instructions, examining maps, and hurrying forth to the various duties confided to them. Untiring in his labors, unremitting in his efforts, with a mind yet clear, and filled with the experience of half a century, the venerable and honored chief of the army continued in the performance of duties whose magnitude and overwhelming responsibility would have exhausted younger and more vigorous men, until his best friends, fearing that the burden would break down both mind and body, took counsel with each other as to how they might best shield him from the unequal task, and yet preserve the wisdom of his suggestion, the benefit of his advice to the country. Up to that time he had withstood the combined attack of time and labor with marked success. The strength of his physical and intellectual nature was much above the average strength of men. By nature firmly developed, his constitution was invigorated by a life of exercise, temperance and cheerfulness, and he was thus enabled to endure the extraordinary mental strain and physical fatigue until, as he supposed, he had seen the greater part of what he aimed to do accomplished. In fact, in the Fall of 1861 Gen. Scorr regarded the situation very much in this wise: He found the country threatened by a great rebellion, bold, ready and rampant, led by men of no small military skill, and strengthened by the already prepared resources of a martial people. The capital was exposed, the army small, and the means of war scattered and confused. It was no small matter to get an army ready; much more was it to provide them with armament and munitions, provisions and transportation. The people were impatient. Many looked to brilliant battles and splendid successes who had never estimated the importance of conciliating the border States, or contemplated the immense difficulty of raising a vast army, whose recruiting and disciplining had all to be accomplished in three months. When the frosts of October came, he saw Maryland, Kentucky, Missouri and Western Virginia all embraced within the Union—the Capital of the nation safe, and the immense Army of the Potomac formed and ready. Then, also, he began to feel the fast-growing infirmities of age, increased by exhausting labor. His friends saw that he was enduring too much, and he himself felt that the duty of retirement had become imperative. He wisely refused to have it said of him, as of some illustrious characters—

> "Superfluous lags the veteran on the stage,
> Till playing Nature signs the last retreat,
> And bids afflicted worth retire to peace."

On the 31st of October he addressed to Mr. Cameron, Secretary of War, a letter, of which the following paragraph expresses the object and the motive:

> SIR—For more than three years I have been unable from a hurt to mount a horse or walk more than a few paces at a time, and that with much pain. Other and new infirmities, dropsy and vertigo, admonish me that a repose of mind and body, with the appliances of surgery and medicine, are necessary to add a little more to a life already protracted much beyond the usual span of man. It is under such circumstances, made doubly painful by the unnatural and unjust rebellion now raging in the Southern States of our late prosperous and happy Union, that I am compelled to request that my name be placed on the list of army officers retired from active service.

On the following day (Nov. 1) the President and Cabinet decided that his request could not be denied, and at 4 o'clock in the afternoon they attended in a body at the residence of Gen. Scott, when the President read the following order:

> "On the first day of November, 1861, upon his application to the President of the United States, Brevet Lieut.-Gen. Winfield Scott is ordered to be placed, and hereby is placed, upon the list of retired officers of the Army of the United States, without reduction in the current pay, subsistence or allowances.
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> The American people will hear with sadness and deep emotion that Gen. Scott has withdrawn from the active control of the army, while the President and the unanimous Cabinet express their own and the nation's sympathy in his personal affliction, and their profound sense of the important public services rendered by him to his country during his long and brilliant career, among which will ever be gratefully distinguished his faithful devotion to the Constitution, the Union, and the flag, when assailed by a parricidal rebellion.
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> (Signed) ABRAHAM LINCOLN."

The General then arose, and with deep emotion expressed his thanks, his confidence in the Government, that its course was wise and right, and that success would crown its efforts.

He at once came to New-York followed by the respectful regard of the nation, of whose external demonstrations Gen. Scott says in his autobiography:

> "Testimonials followed from several States, Governors and cities, the Legislature of New-Jersey, Rahway and Elizabeth; two from Philadelphia—one headed by Hon. Horace Binney, and the other by Hon. Joseph R. Ingersoll—each signed by hundreds of the most substantial citizens. A similar compliment was received from St. Louis, very numerously signed. The City of New-York, in no ordinary terms, heaped upon the retired soldier her distinguished approbation. The Chamber of Commerce and the Union Defence Committee each passed highly complimentary resolutions—the first presented by its venerable President, the late Peletiah Perit, at the head of a Committee, and the second by the eloquent Judge Edwards Pierrepont, on the part of the Committee of Defence, headed by Gov. Hamilton Fish, Chairman.
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> I deeply regret the want of space for all of these beautiful and honorable addresses, and it would be invidious to embody a part only.
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> In his first annual message to Congress, (December, 1861,) President Lincoln, prompted by his own kind and friendly nature, thus presented the autobiographer to the two Houses of Congress:
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> "Since your last adjournment, Lieut.-Gen. Scott has retired from the head of the army. During his long life the nation has not been unmindful of his merits; yet in calling to mind how faithfully and ably and brilliantly he has served his country, from a time far back in our history, when few now living had been born, and thenceforward continually, I cannot but think we are still his debtors. I submit, therefore, that your consideration what further mark of condition and favor is due to him and to ourselves as a grateful people."

NEW-YORK, June 5, 1864.

Since that occasion, full of years and of honor, the veteran soldier has spent his Winters at New-York and his Summers at West Point. He visited Europe at one time, and returned under the serious impression that war with Great Britain was a fixed fact. During the past season he took a southward trip for the benefit of his failing health, from which, however, he derived no permanent benefit.

Had we space, many political, professional and personal anecdotes illustrative of his remarkable individuality might be given, but we are compelled reluctantly to drop the curtain upon the active acts of his career, after lingering for a moment at the final scene, the closing of which ushered his spirit into the presence of his Maker.

West Point has always been a favorite resort of the General. Deeply interested in the Academy and its pupils, he never neglected an opportunity of giving such aid and assistance as were at his command, while his presence seemed to inspire the young cadet with lofty ambition and professional *esprit*. Since the erection of the hotel at Cozzens' Landing, Gen. Scott spent his Summers there, delighting visitors by the familiarity of his conversation, and rendering the place famous among the lion-hunters of the day. There it was that he received the informal visit of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales and his party headed by the Duke of Newcastle; there also President Lincoln spent several anxious hours consulting with him during the dark days of the Republic, and there too was the memorable interview between Scott and Grant, at which transpired the beautiful incident—a gift "from the oldest to the greatest General."

For several weeks past, Gen. Scott's health has been poor. His mind has at no time wandered, but the weight of his enormous frame was too great for his enfeebled limbs, while the unsteady beating of his heart, and the restlessness which disturbed him at night warned him of approaching dissolution.

At Roe's Hotel, at West Point proper, he received every attention that affection could desire or science suggest, and for a while it was hoped that the attack would be but temporary, passing, as did many others, after a rigid diet and perfect rest. On Saturday he drove out, but on Sunday it was evident that a more serious development might be feared. He was confined to his bed all day, and toward night sank rapidly. Yesterday morning, after a brief rally, he fell for a few moments into a stupor, from which he emerged, retaining entire possession of his mental faculties, and recognizing his friends and attendants to the last, although the loss of his voice some two hours before his death prevented any communication between them.

Calmly and serenely, without a fear or a struggle, he died a few moments after 11, carrying with him a record, professional and personal, such as no man need blush to own before his fellows, and which it is to be hoped will merit the award of "well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

The News in Washington—President Johnson's Announcement of Orders.

Executive Mansion, Tuesday, May 29.

The President, with profound sorrow, announces to the people of the United States the death of Winfield Scott, the late Lieutenant General of the Army.

On the day which may be appointed for his funeral the several Executive Departments of the Government will be closed. The Heads of the War and Navy Departments will respectively give orders for the payment of appropriate honors to the memory of the deceased.

(Signed) ANDREW JOHNSON.

The News in Other Places.

TROY, N. Y., Tuesday, May 29.

On the announcement of the death of General Scott, Mayor Flagg ordered the church bells of the city to be tolled from one to two o'clock P. M.

BOSTON, Tuesday, May 29.

All the church bells of the city were tolled by telegraph this afternoon, striking eighty times for the death of Gen. Scott.

The Funeral of Gen. Scott.

West Point, Tuesday, May 29.

The funeral of Gen. Scott will take place at one o'clock on Friday next, at the Chapel of the Academy. His remains will be interred in the West Point Cemetery.

OBITUARY.

Prof. Henry G. Cox, M. D.

The many friends, professional and personal, of Dr. Henry G. Cox, of this City, have been much grieved at his death, which occurred yesterday morning, at his residence, No. 104 West Twenty-sixth-street. Dr. Cox had only reached his 47th year; he was engaged in a large and excellent practice, and numbers who have profited by his skill or his friendship, now mourn their loss.

Doctor Cox was a native of Bermuda, and was born in or about the year 1818. He received an excellent English and classical education, and before he left Bermuda had been appointed a magistrate of the parish in which he resided, and had also been elected to the Legislature of the Islands. At the age of twenty-six he came to this City to pursue the study of medicine.

The success and reputation which Dr. Cox attained in his profession were due entirely to his own character and efforts. He came here a stranger, without any social or political connections or relatives, and with no other friends than those he made for himself. He studied medicine under the late Dr. Cheeseman, and in 1849 graduated with distinction at the College of Physicians and Surgeons. He was immediately appointed House Physician at Bellevue Hospital, under Dr. D. M. Reese, and not very long afterwards he was called to a position on the medical staff at the Quarantine Hospital, Staten Island. About 1850 he settled in private practice in this City, and obtained the position of Physician to the State Hospital at Ward's Island. This office he held for many years with great credit to himself, and with equal efficiency and benefit to the institutions, and only left it to attend more closely to the private practice that had been growing up for him. He was never forgotten by the Commissioners in charge of the hospitals; and lately, when a principal consulting physician was appointed to them, Dr. Cox, without any request or solicitation on his part, received the appointment. At the period of the inauguration of the New-York Medical College, Dr. Cox was appointed Censor, and afterward to its Professorship of Theory and Practice, retaining the office with great acceptance for a number of years. Dr. Cox took an active and enthusiastic interest in the organization of the Nursery and Child's Hospital, and to his affectionate care and close watchfulness in its earlier years is due much of the usefulness of this excellent institution. While at Bellevue Hospital he had nearly fallen a victim to the diseases he had to cope with. In the season when the ship fever was so prevalent and disastrous, he relaxed no effort or diligence, but met each greater call upon his time and skill with additional exposure and sacrifice of necessary rest and relaxation. He was at last smitten with the disease his skill had so often overcome in others—being at as low a stage as he could be and recover—and nothing but the most devoted care and nursing brought him safely through.

Dr. Cox had great, natural aptness for his profession and a love for its practice. He brought to its study no crude or immature intellect, but his fine, natural gifts had been trained and disciplined in the positions—premature to his years, but not to his abilities—that he had enjoyed in his native place. He was earnest and thorough in all he undertook, and those who saw his devotion as a student were pleased to recognize its results in the skill and acquirements of the practitioner. Dr. Cox was much liked in the profession. Incapable of envy or bitterness, he excited none. He comprised in his character none of the arrogance that too frequently accompanies qualities as high and special as his. Indeed, unselfishness was more than passive in him; it was so sheer and constant as to become the obvious basis, the guiding excellence, of his character. Those who have been his patients most valued and most will miss him. Their attachment to him was very strong. They saw with what sympathy and solicitude he exercised his skill; how gently and untiringly he met the caprice, or confronted the fears and anxieties, of the sick room, and with what an absence of pretence he accommodated himself to their conditions, and gave equal care and attention to all who needed or received his services.

Any notice of Dr. Cox would be unjust as well as incomplete, if it did not refer to his Christian faith and trust. He was in all respects a devout, religious man. Some two years ago he received a severe injury, which disabled him, and kept him confined to his bed and room for many months. During all the time he never complained; but, composed, bore all his pains and inconveniences with a docility that reproved the impatience of his friends, and never seemed to know or take credit to itself as resignation. He realized a Providence in all the concerns and events of life, and he so lived as to meet with satisfaction and composure the Providence that comes with death.

About three weeks ago, while conversing at the house of a professional friend, Dr. Cox was suddenly attacked with paralysis, resulting, no doubt, from the severe strain upon him of the anxieties and fatigues of a laborious professional life. He was removed to his home, and from the time of his attack he sank gradually until the hour of his decease, in spite of the assiduous and devoted care of his professional friends and attendants. His funeral will take place at Grace Church, Broadway, to-morrow, (Thursday,) at 3 P. M.

From New-Orleans.

New-Orleans, Monday, May 28.

In the Supreme Court to-day Messrs. Durant and Hunt, always Union men, argued in favor of the validity of Confederate notes as issued by a belligerent Power; and Judge Campbell, late Assistant Confederate Secretary of War, and Mr. Monge, late Confederate Judge, argued against them.

Another crevasse a hundred feet wide has broken through below the city on the right bank, and threatens the Opelousas Railroad.

The negroes would not work yesterday.

The Red River Country and the Onachita and Bichafalaya Rivers are one vast ocean.

The Louisiana country papers give sad accounts of the floods and the distress consequent. Provisions are being constantly forwarded. The corn, cane and cotton of twelve parishes are destroyed. The work to close Bouligny Crevasse is progressing, but the floods are high.

Gen. Banks succeeded Gen. Canby to-day.

Arrived steamer *St. Louis*, from Boston.

The steamer *Belvidia* has arrived from Liverpool.

Cotton easy; sales 1,300 bales; low Middlings, 36c. @37c.; Middlings 40c. To-day's receipts 175 bales. Receipts for four days 2,219 bales, against 2,916 bales. Stock 14,711 bales; exports 2,531 bales. Sterling Exchange 51@53. New-York Exchange ¼ premium.

Galveston Cotton Market.

Galveston, Sunday, May 27.

Sales of Cotton for the week, 150 bales, on a basis of 25c. in specie. Freights active; by steam to New-York, 3c.; by sail to Liverpool, ¼d.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Final Conclusions of the Republican Senatorial Caucus.

The Senate by a Unanimous Vote Reject the Disfranchising Amendment.

The Committee's Report Adopted with Sundry Amendments.

Substitutes Proposed and Efforts to Harmonize.

Reception of the Peruvian Minister by President Johnson.

The Freedmen's Bureau Bill Passed by the House of Representatives.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

Washington, Tuesday, May 29.

THE SENATORIAL CAUCUS.

The Republican Senators held another caucus this morning, and finally agreed upon amendments to the joint resolutions from the Reconstruction Committee as they passed the House.

Senator Howard reported the result to-day attained.

The first amendment is to the first section, and declares all persons born in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States and the States wherein they reside. The remainder of the section to secure equal protection of the laws is without alteration.

The second section in relation to the appointment of Representatives is amended by the substitution of the words "male inhabitants being citizens of the United States" for the words "male citizens."

The third section is stricken out. It will be recollected it excluded from voting, until 1870, for Representatives in Congress, and for Electors for President and Vice-President, all persons who voluntarily adhered to the late insurrection, giving it aid and comfort.

The caucus adopted for this a section declaring that no person shall be a Senator or Representative in Congress, or elector of President or Vice-President, or hold any office, civil or military, under the United States, or under any State, who, having previously taken an oath as a member of Congress, or as an officer of the United States, or as a member of any State Legislature, or as an executive or judicial officer of any State, to support the Constitution of the United States, shall have engaged in insurrection or rebellion against the same, or given aid or comfort to the enemies thereof. But Congress may, by a vote of two-thirds, remove such disability.

A fourth section is added, viz.: The obligations of the United States, incurred in suppressing insurrection, or in defence of the Union, or for payment of bounties or pensions incident thereto, shall remain inviolate.

The fourth section of the original bill becomes the fifth, and is altered mainly to make more specific that neither the United States nor any State shall assume or pay any debt or obligation incurred in aid of insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or any claim for compensation for the loss or emancipation of any slave, and declares all such debts, obligations and claims shall be forever held illegal and void.

The fifth section of the original becomes the sixth, and remains unaltered. It gives Congress the power to enforce by appropriate legislation the provisions of this act.

It is represented that the caucus proceedings were conducted in good spirit, and that harmonious action was secured.

RECONSTRUCTION IN THE SENATE.

The amended reconstruction proposition as submitted in the Senate to-day, after the deliberation of the Republican caucus, are generally regarded as a great improvement upon the resolution as it passed the House. The striking out of the third section was unanimous, and it is understood that the proposition as submitted will readily pass by the requisite two-thirds vote. It is also stated, this evening, that a Committee of Senators has been appointed to lay the proposition before the President and ascertain his views in regard thereto. There is strong talk on the part of many members of the necessity of conciliation, and the present attitude of the Senate on the reconstruction business is pointed to as an indication on its part of a willingness to come to terms.

THE DEMOCRATS IN TROUBLE.

The Democratic Members of Congress held a caucus this evening at the room of the House Judiciary Committee, to consult upon the political situation. No results were arrived at, but it is understood that there is a split in their meager ranks as to whether it is best to repudiate the President because he declined to give that party a share of the spoils, or to still extend him sympathy in the hope of further divisions in the Republican Party.

RECEPTION OF THE PERUVIAN MINISTER.

Senor Don Federico L. Barreda, who, until a year or two past, most acceptably represented the Republic of Peru, as its Minister Resident in this country, has returned in the character of Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary of that Republic. He was to-day introduced by the Secretary of State to the President, to whom he delivered his credentials, and made the following remarks upon the occasion:

SIR: The Supreme Chief of Peru has been pleased to invest me with the character of Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plenipotentiary near the Government of your Excellency. The main object of my mission is to strengthen and develop the ties of friendship that bind both peoples and Governments. I know that this task has heretofore been, and will always continue to be exceedingly easy, because the identity of political principles, of moral and social aims in both countries, must necessarily give that tendency to their relations. But even if such powerful motives should not exist for the success of my mission, my personal experience as to the kind feelings entertained by the United States Government toward Peru inspire me with confidence; and relying upon it, I hope to satisfy the aspirations of my Government, and obtain at the same time the approval of your Excellency. I have the honor to, place in your Excellency's hands my credential letter.

To which the President replied as follows:

Mr. Barreda—Your former relations to this Government as Minister Resident of the Republic of Peru are remembered with pleasure and emotion. During your residence here you were a faithful friend to the United States in a time which tried fidelity in every quarter. The regret with which we parted with you was mitigated by a hope that in a crisis of political affairs you might render important service to your own country, whose freedom, prosperity and welfare are identified with all the generous aspirations of the United States. In reappointing you as her representative here Peru has well chosen how to manifest her own constant friendship to the United States. That friendship shall be cordially reciprocated.

AMERICAN CITIZENS AND THE FRENCH CONSCRIPTION.

The Department of State learns from the United States Minister at Paris that if naturalized citizens of the United States, liable to conscription in France but for their naturalization, will go at once upon their arrival in France and report at the *Mairie* of the district in which their names are enrolled, produce their evidence of naturalization as citizens of the United States, and ask to have their names erased from the conscription list, they will probably be relieved from all difficulties or apprehension in this regard.

AMERICAN WHEAT SENT BACK FROM EUROPE.

United States Consul Dudley, in a letter to the Secretary of State, dated Liverpool, May 4, says: "The steamer *City of Dublin*, that is to sail to-morrow for New-York, has 15,000 bushels of wheat as a cargo. I am told it is American wheat, imported, and now being sent back to be sold in the States. It is now being loaded on the steamer." This is something like sending coals to Newcastle.

A SHIP CANAL AT THE MOUTH OF THE MISSISSIPPI.

The bill now before Congress, authorizing the construction of a ship canal from Pass L'Outre, at the mouth of the Mississippi, provides for the incorporation of a Dredging Company, who are to keep this pass open not less than twenty feet deep and a hundred feet wide at high water, and are authorized to charge all vessels drawing over fourteen feet from 13 to 25 cents per ton for passage through to the river.

APPOINTMENTS CONFIRMED.

The Senate in Executive Session to-day confirmed a number of Internal Revenue officers for Southern States, and Benjamin Harris, of East Bridgewater, Collector for the Second District of Massachusetts; Cassius Fairchild, Marshal for the District of Wisconsin; John Cummins, of Idaho, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of that Territory. Also the following Consuls: B. W. Parker, at Cadiz; Willis P. Mangum, of North Carolina, at Naganki; J. R. C. Smith, of Louisiana or Kansas, at Athens; and Nicholas Pike, of New-York, at Port Louis, Mauritius. And the following to be Consuls: Samuel Huntington, Burlington; Chas. P. Cole, New-London, Conn.; Chas. C. Warner, Virginia City, Nevada; Jas. B. Adams, Portsmouth, N. H.; R. G. Gregg, Petersburgh, Va.; and Chas. B. Brayton, Port Royal, S. C.

CONFIRMATIONS BY THE SENATE.

The confirmations made by the Senate to-day were not of special importance. Several nominations were rejected by a very decisive vote, understood to be at least three-fourths. Among them was that of Wade Hampton, the recent appointment for Postmaster at Pittsburgh, who was rejected by a vote of twenty-four to seven. It is understood that Mr. Cowan made a speech in favor of the confirmation. Another rejection was that of the nominee for Postmaster at Lafayette, Ind. Brig.-Gen. Cassius Fairchild, of Wisconsin, was confirmed as U. S. Marshal for that State. His excellent war record procured him the unanimous indorsement of the Senate. He is a brother of Gov. Fairchild, of the same State, who lost an arm at Gettysburgh.

NOMINATIONS REJECTED.

Nominations of men who served faithfully in the army go almost daily to the Senate for civil positions, requiring the confirmation of that honorable body. To-day the name of Gen. Wm. P. Richardson was sent to the Senate as Collector of Internal revenue for the Fifteenth District of Ohio, while Col. Rufus Cheney and Gen. George C. Gentry were respectively nominated as Assessors for the First and Fifth Districts of Wisconsin. These men fought gallantly during the war, and now receive these appointments in recognition of their military services. Will the Senate, ignoring the military record of these men, seek to find in their political views reasons for their rejection? It is also understood that among the nominations sent in to-day was that of Edward Fox, a relative of Senator Fessenden, to be Judge of the United States District Court for the district of Maine. William Faxon, Chief Clerk of the Navy Department has been nominated Assistant Secretary of the Navy, vice G. V. Fox, whose name is sent to the Senate as Assistant Secretary, under the act approved on the 26th inst., which limits the period of his office to six months, and will enable him to visit Europe in his official capacity.

ERROR CORRECTED.

There is the best authority, I may say, for denying the report in some of the papers, that the proceeds of the recent sales of gold by the Secretary of the Treasury have been applied to the purchase of Government bonds.

INDIAN TREATIES.

The treaties made with the Camanche, Cheyenne, Apache and Arrapahoe Indians, at Council grounds, on the Arkansas River, have just been proclaimed. These tribes pledge themselves to forever remain at peace with each other and with all other Indians who sustain friendly relations with the United States Government. All disputes are to be settled by impartial arbitrators. Reservations are to set apart for the absolute and undisturbed use and occupation of these tribes.

THE QUARANTINE BILL SIGNED.

The President has approved the bill authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to make and carry into effect such orders and regulations of quarantine as may be deemed necessary and proper, in aid of State or municipal authority, to guard against the introduction of cholera into the ports of the United States.

NATIONAL BANKS.

Mr. Hooper, the acting chairman of the Committee on Banking and Currency now engaged in investigating the condition of the National Banks, has caused the following circular to be addressed to each of the National Banks designated as Government depositories:

By authority of a resolution of the House of Representatives, you are hereby required to prepare and forward to the Committee on Banking and Currency, a statement showing the amount of money standing to the credit of the United States or the Treasurer thereof. Also, a statement of all sums standing to the credit of any disbursing officer, or of any other officer or agent of the United States, stating the name of the officer or agent and the amounts to the credit of each, as appears by your books on the 1st day of May, 1866.

THIRTY-NINTH CONGRESS.

SENATE....TUESDAY, May 29.

A PERSONAL EXPLANATION.

Mr. Lane, of Kansas, rose to a personal explanation. On Saturday morning last his attention had been called to an imputation made by innuendo and indirection in the Boston *Commonwealth*, emanating from some one in this city. He immediately telegraphed to the editor of that paper for the name of the author. He had not yet named it. When he obtained the name he would again trouble the Senate to adopt such a course as, in his judgment, the dignity of the Senate and of his State and his own self-respect demanded. For the present he would content himself by saying to his fellow Senators, in a word, that the imputation contained in the paper was without the slightest foundation, a calumny of the most unfounded and most brutal character.

CALIFORNIA LAND TITLES.

Mr. Conness introduced a bill to quiet land titles in California, which was ordered to be printed.

BRIDGING THE MISSISSIPPI.

Mr. Norton called up the bill to authorize the Winona and St. Peters Railroad Company to construct a bridge across the Mississippi River, the structure to be fifty feet above high water mark.

Pending the discussion, the morning hour expired.

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES FOR COLORED PERSONS.

Mr. Lane, of Kansas, introduced a bill to donate public lands to the several States which may provide agricultural colleges for the education of persons of African descent. Which was referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

A PETITION FROM A FOREIGNER.

Mr. Johnson presented the petition of a citizen of Spain for relief from certain excessive importation dues charged him in the Baltimore Custom-house.

The Chair decided that the petition of a foreigner could not be received in the Senate.

THE RAILROAD BILL.

At one o'clock the Chair announced that the regular order was the bill to facilitate commercial, postal and military communication between the States.

Mr. Howard moved to postpone the regular order and take up the reconstruction resolution.

Mr. Hendricks hoped the Senate would take up the special order, which was the Colorado veto.

Mr. Chandler moved that the Railroad bill be laid over informally.

THE RECONSTRUCTION RESOLUTIONS.

The reconstruction resolution was taken up.

The question was taken upon Mr. Johnson's amendment to strike out the third section, which disfranchises the late rebels till 1870.

Mr. Johnson demanded the yeas and nays, and the third section was stricken out by a unanimous vote; yeas 43, absent 6.

Mr. Howard rose to offer several amendments to the pending reconstruction resolutions.

They are as follows:

Insert at the beginning of the first section the words: "All persons born in the United States and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States, and of the State wherein they reside."

If thus amended, the first section would read:

SECTION 1. All persons born in the United States, and subject to the jurisdiction thereof, are citizens of the United States, and of the States wherein they reside. No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty or property without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.

SEC. 2. Representatives shall be apportioned among the several States which may be included within this Union according to their respective numbers, counting the whole number of persons in each State excluding Indians not taxed. But whenever in any State the elective franchise shall be denied to any portion of the male inhabitants being citizens of the United States not less than twenty-one years of age, or in any way abridged except for participation in rebellion or other crimes, the basis of representation in such State shall be reduced in the proportion which the number of such male citizens shall bear to the whole number of male citizens not less than twenty-one years of age in such State.

SEC. 3. I believe stricken out, the following is proposed in lieu of it:

No person shall be a Senator or Representative in Congress, or Elector of President and Vice-President, or hold any office, civil or military, under the United States, or under any State, who having previously taken an oath as a Member of Congress, or as an officer of the United States, or as a member of any State Legislature, or as an executive or judicial officer of any state, to support the Constitution of the United States, shall have engaged in insurrection or rebellion against the same, or given aid or comfort to the enemies thereof, but Congress may by a vote of two-thirds of each House remove such disability.

SEC. 4. All obligations of the United States incurred in suppressing insurrection, or in defence of the Union, or for payment of bounties, or pensions incident thereto, shall remain inviolate.

Section 4 in the original will be changed to section 5, and it is proposed to change that section so as to make it read—

SEC. 5. Neither the United States nor any State shall assume or pay any debt or obligation incurred in aid of insurrection or rebellion against the United States, or any claim for compensation for emancipation of any slave, and such debts and obligations and claims shall be forever held illegal and void.

SEC. 6. Congress shall have power to enforce by appropriate legislation the provisions of this article.

Mr. Saulsbury said this was the first notice the minority had received of the result of the caucuses held by the majority. He, therefore, moved that the amendments be printed, and the subject postponed till to-morrow.

On motion of Mr. Fessenden, this order was entered and ordered to be printed.

A SUBSTITUTE PROPOSED BY MR. SUMNER.

Mr. Sumner submitted the following amendment, intended to be proposed as a substitute for the bill:

To provide for restoring to the States lately in insurrection their political rights. And from and after the passage of this act no State lately in insurrection shall be entitled to any representation in the Congress of the United States, or in the Electoral College, or to participate in the choice of President and Vice-President of the United States, or to have any Senator or Representative in Congress, or Presidential Elector, or to share in the government of the United States, or to enjoy any right of property in the United States, unless such person may have in any of the lands sold under such field order."

The amendment was agreed to.

The next question was on the amendment offered by Mr. Davis, to add to section 2 the following:

"And the powers conferred and the duties enjoined by the act hereby amended shall be applicable to all persons named or referred to in this section, and acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed."

And to strike out all the remaining section of the bill.

The amendment was rejected by a vote of 35 to 9. The bill was then passed—35 to 37.

The following is the vote on the Freedmen's Bureau bill:

YEAS—Messrs. Anthony, Chandler, Clark, Conness, Cragin, Edmunds, Grimes, Howard, Howe, Kirkwood, Lane of Indiana, Morgan, Nye, Poland, Pomeroy, Ramsey, Sherman, Stewart, Sumner, Wade, Williams, Wilson—22.

NAYS—Messrs. Buckalew, Cowan, Creswell, Davis, Doolittle, Fessenden, Foster, Guthrie, Harris, Henderson, Hendricks, Johnson, Merrill, Norton, Riddle, Saulsbury, Trumbull, Van Winkle, Willey—18.

The Senate at 3:30 o'clock went into executive session, and soon after adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

THE MILITARY ACADEMY.

Mr. Stevens, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported back the Senate amendments to the Military Academy Appropriation Bill.

Some of the amendments were non-concurred in, and a Committee of Conference was asked.

FORTIFICATIONS.

Mr. Stevens also reported the Senate amendment to the Fortification Bill, which appropriates $50,000 for Fort Popham, on the Kennebec River, Maine.

The amendment was non-concurred in, and a Committee of Conference was asked.

CLAIMS.

Mr. Stevens also offered a resolution, which was adopted, referring the petition of Gaius S. Seaton to the Committee on Claims.

THE FREEDMEN'S BUREAU BILL PASSED.

The bill to continue in force and to amend the Freedmen's Bureau Bill came up as the first business in order in the morning hour. The House seconded the "previous question" on the bill and amendment.

Mr. Chanler moved to lay the bill on the table. Motion negatived.

The first question was on the amendment offered by Mr. Scofield to strike out of the seventh section the following words—"and shall provide sites and buildings for purposes of education" down to the end of the section, and insert in lieu thereof the words "and shall herein provide by lease buildings for purposes of education, whenever such Association shall, without cost to the Government, provide suitable teachers and means of instruction, and shall furnish such protection as may be required for the safe conduct of such schools."

The amendment was agreed to.

The next question was on the amendment offered by Mr. Shellabarger, to add to the sixth section the following:

"*Provided*, that nothing in this act contained shall be construed to affect the right of any person to recover in the proper courts any title or right of possession which such person may have in any of the lands sold under such field order."

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. Davis moved to add to section 2 the following:

"And the powers conferred and the duties enjoined by the act hereby amended shall be applicable to all persons named or referred to in this section, and acts or parts of acts inconsistent with the provisions of this act are hereby repealed."

And to strike out all the remaining section of the bill.

The amendment was rejected by a vote of 35 to 88.

The bill was then passed—96 to 37.

The following is the vote on the Freedmen's Bureau bill:

YEAS—Messrs. Alley, Allison, Ames, Anderson, Arnell, Baker, Baldwin, Banks, Beaman, Bidwell, Bingham, Blaine, Blow, Boutwell, Bromwell, Broomall, Buckland, Cake, Chanler, Cobb, Cook, Cullom, Dawes, Defrees, Deming, Dixon, Dodge, Donnelly, Dumont, Eckley, Eggleston, Eliot, Farquhar, Ferry, Garfield, Harding of Illinois, Hart, Henderson, Higby, Holmes, Hooper, Hubbard of Iowa, Hubbard of Connecticut, Hubbell of Ohio, Ingersoll, Jenckes, Kelley, Latham, Lawrence of Pennsylvania, Lawrence of Ohio, Loan, Longyear, Marshall, McClurg, McIndoe, McKee, McRuer, Mercur, Morrill, Morris, Myers, O'Neill, Orth, Paine, Patterson, Perham, Pike, Plants, Price, Rice, of Massachusetts, Rice of Maine, Robins, Sawyer, Schenck, Scofield, Shellabarger, Sloan, Starr, Stevens, Stilwell, Thayer, Francis Thomas, Trowbridge, Upson, Van Aernam, Van Horn of New-York, Ward, Washburne of Illinois, Washburn of Massachusetts, Welker, Whaley, Williams, Wilson of Pennsylvania, Woodbridge—94.

NAYS—Messrs. Ancona, Bergen, Chanler, Darling, Davis, Dawson, Eldridge, Glossbrenner, Goodyear, Grider, Hall, Harding of Kentucky, Hogan, Hubbard of New-York, Jones, Humphrey, Kuykendall, Le Blond, Marshall, Marvin, McCullough, Niblack, Nicholson, Radford, Randall of Pennsylvania, Raymond, Ritter, Rose, Sitgreaves, Strouse, Taylor, Trimble, Wright—32.

THE MILITARY ACADEMY.

On motion of Mr. Stevens, the Senate amendments to the bill relating to the appointment of cadets to the Military Academy were taken from the Speaker's table and non-concurred in.

LAND GRANTS FOR RAILROADS.

On motion of Mr. Cullom, the Senate bill to revive the act of February 9, 1853, making a grant of land for railroad purposes to Arkansas and Missouri, was taken from the Speaker's table, read twice, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

RECONSTRUCTION.

The House then proceeded to the consideration of the bill reported from the Committee on Reconstruction the 30th of April, to provide for restoring to the States lately in insurrection their full political rights.

Mr. Ashley, of Ohio, addressed the House in support of the bill. He held that the States which had retained their constitutional relations to the Government were the only constitutional governing powers in the nation—that having put down the rebellion they had the right, under the law of nations, as conquerors, to prescribe such conditions as in the judgment of the majority of the people were necessary for the national safety. He favored such an amendment as the bill he would exact any State upon its ratifying the proposed Constitutional Amendment instead of awaiting its becoming of the Constitution. He referred to the noticeable fact that whenever both Houses agreed from the late rebel States were not unfriendly rebels, the one who was was elected for the short term, alluding to the howl of indignation raised all over the country against the report of the Reconstruction Committee, he challenged the pointing out of a single page of history, where after putting down such a rebellion the conquerors were found making propositions so mild to constituents, so merciful as the propositions of the Committee of Fifteen. He expressed himself in favor of strengthening the hands of loyal men in the South, by giving black men the ballot. With the ballot in the hands of every loyal man in the South the nation would be safe; safe from rebellion, safe from repudiation, safe from war. Without it the nation would not be safe.

Mr. Le Blond desired to ask his colleague whether he was in favor of negro suffrage in the States.

Mr. Ashley—Everywhere.

Mr. Le Blond—In the State of Ohio?

Mr. Ashley—Everywhere.

Mr. Stevens—Be a little more explicit. [Laughter.]

Mr. Le Blond—Very good. Does my colleague claim that Congress has the power to confer that right on negroes in the States?

Mr. Ashley—I do not intend to put myself on record against the right of Congress to do that. When the time comes to take action on that point I will be ready to do so.

Mr. Le Blond—Is my colleague in favor of the report of the Reconstruction Committee?

Mr. Ashley—I am voting for it.

Mr. Le Blond—And of keeping the States out till the conditions are complied with?

Mr. Ashley—If my colleague had been listening to me he would not have asked the question.

Mr. Le Blond—Then, why do you yield the question of negro suffrage in that report?

Mr. Ashley—Because I could not get it. [Laughter.] Is not that fair?

In conclusion, Mr. Ashley appealed to the House to press this and the other measures reported by the Committee on Reconstruction.

Mr. Latham next addressed the House. In reference to the Disqualifying Bill, reported by the Reconstruction Committee, he had no difficulty. The disqualification of the enemies of the country might be pushed to any extent without doing violence to his feelings. All that he asked was an opportunity for voting for it. He did not, however, think that the bill added anything to the existing disqualifications. As to the third section of the proposed Constitutional Amendment he regarded it as utterly impracticable, and as calculated, if not intended, to defeat the whole measure. As to the bill before the House, it contained two principles to which he could not give his assent. Those were, first, that the approval of three-fourths of the States now representing in Congress is sufficient to ratify the Constitutional Amendment; and, second, that its ratification by each of the late rebel States is required as a condition precedent to its right of represent